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Advance in Abyssinia Held Up by Torrential Rains

Cairo, May 20.

TORRENTIAL rains continue to hold up the British troops tightening their ring of steel against the last fighting Italian troops in the southern areas of Ethiopia, British forces gained momentum in their drive in Iraq General Headquarters officially announced today.

"In Libya, in the Tobruk area there is nothing of importance to report. In the Sollum area our patrolling activities are continuing," added the communique.

Referring to Abyssinia, the communique said that arrangements for the complete surrender of the garrison at Amba Alagi were progressing.

"In the southern areas torrential rains are interferring with the British operations," reported the communique.—United Press.

London, May 20.

One of the most formidable obstacles to the successful completion of the British campaign in Abyssinia will be overcome at noon today, when the Italian flag over the mountain fortress of Amba Alagi will be hauled down in token of surrender to the investing British and Imperial forces.

At the same time the Duke of Aosta, Italian Commander-in-Chief in East Africa and a cousin of King Victor Emmanuel, will give himself up in accordance with the terms of surrender.

The Duke will be accompanied by General Rezzani and his personal staff officers.

A Cairo communique estimates that the total number of prisoners taken at Amba Alagi is about 7,000, together with considerable quantities of guns and other material.

The decision of the Duke of Aosta to surrender was admitted last evening by the Rome Radio. It quoted a message sent by the Duke to Signor Mussolini, which said that "as it is impossible for us to take care of the numerous wounded, and as the situation is steadily deteriorating, so that resistance could not last much longer even at the cost of serious losses, I have deemed fit to ask the enemy for an honourable surrender. My request has been accepted."

The fall of Amba Alagi and the surrender of the Italian Commander-in-Chief means that Italian resistance in Abyssinia is now confined to the Gondar region and to the Jimma area south of Addis Ababa. In these districts also the Imperial forces are pushing forward rapidly.

According to a Cairo communique, units of the Sudan defence corps, assisted by Abyssinian patriot forces, have taken an important position in the Gondar area, where serious casualties have been inflicted on the Italians.

In the south, Imperial troops have taken the strategic road junction of Dalle, together with 800 prisoners, many guns and armoured cars. This cuts off the retreat of the two Italian columns in the Jimma area.

The collapse of Italian resistance at Amba Alagi and the surrender of the Duke of Aosta means practically the termination of the Abyssinian campaign. Reuters' Diplomatic Correspondent learns there are still a few scattered pockets where small bodies of Italians are holding out, but their power of offensive has been completely broken and they can be safely left to be dealt with at leisure by patriot forces.

Resistance Broken

The forces which will be liberated as a result of these very successful operations are not inconsiderable and may have decisive influence not only on the war which is being waged in the Libyan desert but on operations against Iraq and Syria.

The magnificent services in Abyssinia of the South African Air Force have proved the quality and skill of these fighters and bombers, and they will be especially welcome at the present juncture when there are distinct indications of a turn in the tide in Libya. It seems to have reached the high-water mark at Sollum and has not made any further inroads at Tobruk, but rather reverses if anything.

It is but ten weeks since General Cunningham crossed the southern frontier of Abyssinia from Italian [Reuter.

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Cairo Comment on Aosta's Surrender

Cairo, May 20.

It is too early yet to say whether the Duke of Aosta's surrender will lead to the end of the Abyssinian campaign, it is stated in military circles here. It was pointed out that there are approximately two Italian divisions concentrated at Jimma, and the same number at Gondar, and with the help of the rains these may hold out until the end of the rainy season.

On the other hand, when they receive news of the Duke of Aosta's surrender, they may decide to throw in their hands. However these circles stated that in a few days they would be better able to gauge the effect of the capture of Amba Algai, in which South African, Indian, Sudan Defence Force, Patriot and British troops participated.

The importance of the capture of the important road juncture of Dalle was stressed. The only road for the two Italian divisions concentrated in Jimma and the lake district to escape has thereby been cut off, unless they take to the bush.

However, the Italians now have a particular aversion to bush, owing to the terror of Patriot forces who now are lurking there.

Dealing with the German sally from Fort Capuzzo, military circles said that the R.A.F. gave them a taste of their own medicine with a large dose of dive-bombing. The German attempt with two columns to force "hell-fire" pass was unsuccessful, and the German again failed to recuperate their losses in the now much trampled Sollum area.—Reuter.

U.S. Ship Craftsmen To Return to Work

San Francisco, May 20.

American Federation of Labour leaders last night ordered thousands of skilled craftsmen to return to work and ignore the picket lines of striking A.F.O.L. and Congress of Industrial Organizations' machinists at nine of the eleven west coast shipbuilding yards.

The Metal Trades Council ordered the skilled workers to return to work yards today and seven other yards tomorrow.

This order followed the unanimous decision reached by the Metal Trades Council on Sunday night. Mr. John P. Frey, head of the powerful council, described the strike of machinists which was delaying work on US$500,000,000 worth of defence shipbuilding the "most damnable thing that has happened since the start of the national defence emergency."

He promised that he personally would lead the skilled workers through the machinists' picket lines.

Meanwhile, negotiations would start today between the machinists and two of the biggest yards in the San Francisco Bay area—the Bethlehem Steel Corporation's yards.

The machinists will hold a mass meeting tonight. The Metal Trades Council's order to go through the picket lines, however, will stand regardless of what action will be taken by the machinists at their meeting.—United Press.

German Planes Drop Troops In Crete

London, May 20.

The battle for the vastly important island of Crete was begun this morning as huge German Junkers bearing troops and parachutists swooped on the strongly protected island.

This was the first real test of the much debated efficiency of parachute troops. It was also the first time that Imperial troops had encountered a major parachute invasion, although they previously had successfully dealt with such parachutists in minor attacks in Belgium.

So far there was no official information available here as to the number of troops engaged, but the German attack appeared to have been their heaviest parachute invasion to date.

Berlin was practically silent regarding the attack on Crete. The only official information available in Berlin was the brief announcement in the High Command's communique stating that German planes had attacked grounded British planes at Crete aerodromes and also British warships in Suda Bay. There was no mention of a parachutist invasion of the island.

The German communique stated that the German planes had concentrated on attacking airfields and anti-aircraft batteries in Crete.

Situation in Hand

The British General Headquarters in Cairo announced that a number of the parachutists "already has been accounted for," indicating that the British believed that they had the situation in hand.

Military experts hitherto had considered Crete to be practically impregnable.

Mr. Winston Churchill, Prime Minister, in the House of Commons, recently emphasized the vital importance of holding Crete. Hence it was believed here that there would be no withdrawal of British troops from Crete, but a fight to the last man.

Crete's importance became paramount since the war struck Asia Minor. The British vitally need the island to protect Palestine and the Suez Canal and prevent a back-door attack by the Axis on Libya.

Serious Battle

The Prime Minister, Mr. Winston Churchill, today announced that a serious battle was developing in Crete but "we feel confident of the resistance which we will offer the enemy."

Speaking in the House of Commons, Mr. Churchill said that a severe battle was developing in the highly strategic island. "An air battle of great strength began this morning and what cannot fail to be a serious battle is developing," he revealed.

The Prime Minister disclosed that the troops in Crete comprised British, New Zealanders and Greeks and were commanded by General Bernard C. Freyberg, V.C.

"In the last few days our reconnoitring aeroplanes noted heavy concentrations of German aircraft of all kinds on aerodromes in southern Greece and we attacked them night after night and inflicted heavy damage," he said.—United Press.

First Attack

Cairo, May 20.

German parachute and air-borne troops this morning attempted to secure a footing on Crete but a "number already has been accounted for," the General Headquarters announced here today.

The daring German attack on the vitally strategic British-controlled Greek island was the first attempted since the surrender of Greece.

Known to have been strongly fortified by British troops even before the British Empire forces landed in Greece, Crete was greatly strengthened after the fall of Greece when thousands of Greek, Yugoslav and British troops were evacuated there.—United Press.

Parachutists Wore N. Z. Uniforms

London, May 20.

Fifteen hundred enemy troops wearing New Zealand battle dress landed by gliders, parachutes and troop carriers on Crete today, Mr. Winston Churchill, the Prime Minister, announced.

He said a military hospital between Canea, capital of Crete, and Malemi, had been captured and recaptured.

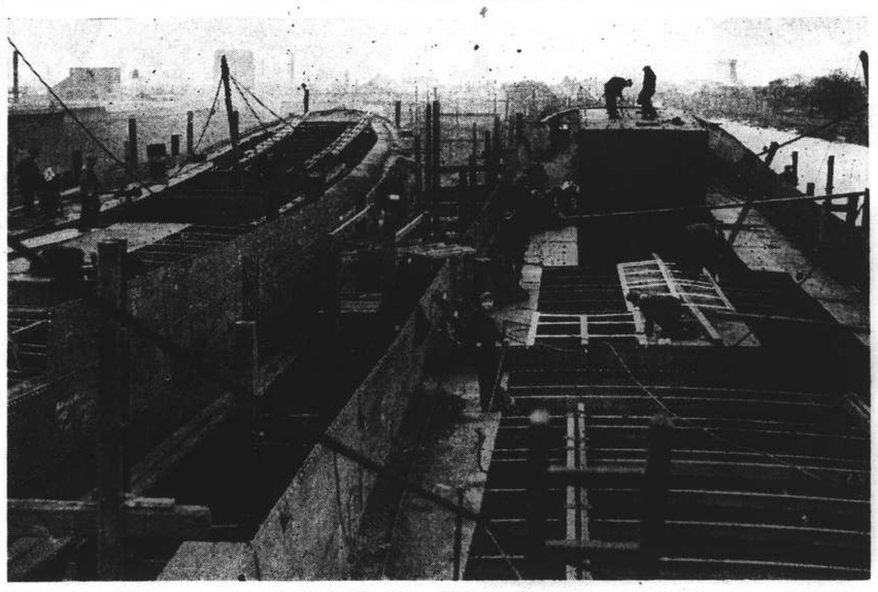
A fairly strong enemy party on the Canea-Malemi road had not yet been mopped up but other parties had been accounted for, he added.

The situation was in hand at noon. An attempt to capture the Malemi aerodrome had so far failed.—Reuter.

Australian Minister Warns Vichy Consul

Sydney, May 20.

Commenting on a statement in which the French consul here deprecated "savage attacks" on Syria, the Australian Minister for External Affairs, Sir Frederick Stewart, said French consular representatives in British countries would be well advised to exercise great caution in their utterances.—Reuter.



Britain Counters U-Boat Campaign

This is a picture of two British trawlers on the stocks at a shipyard. British yards are turning out plenty of merchant vessels to take the place of those lost through the German efforts in the Battle of the Atlantic. There is confidence that the output of these yards, when combined with the vessels the United States has almost ready to slide off the stocks, will prevent the German attempt to make the Lease-and-Lend Act ineffective in the prosecution of this war.

Franco-Nazi Negotiations Continuing "Favourably"

London, May 20.

THE announcement that 100,000 French prisoners of war are to be released "immediately" was made yesterday by the French Government in Vichy in a communique, adding: "Franco-German negotiations are continuing favourably." One hundred thousand men out of the 1,800,000 actually in German hands is not very much. In fact, arithmetically, it is like offering a starving man one spoonful of soup only. But it is being presented to the French public as a "first instalment."

The same Vichy communique says elsewhere that a "methodical plan for the repatriation of certain categories of prisoners is being interestedly studied,"—in plain language the French people are being told that whatever the Vichy Government does in the way of collaboration with Germany at home or abroad, the counterpart is the repatriation of prisoners.

They are being told that any effective protest against Franco-German collaboration as it is now developing means banging the door in the face of their returning menfolk. The ordinary Frenchman has been placed in a cruel dilemma by Hitler, with Admiral Darlan and his friends consenting.

"Le Temps," representing heavy French industry, writes confidently and approvingly of the present developments in Franco-German relations.

In England indignation is widespread. General Dentz' broadcast has particularly outraged public feeling. The London newspapers talk of the "shame of France." The "Evening News," describing the words of General Dentz as "the mot degrading ever spoken in the name of a nation," writes:

"Frenchmen yet unborn will blush with shame when they read the defiances of General Dentz, who lets the German enemy take possession of Syria and threatens England with the use of force."

The newspaper describes the Dentz broadcast as "a piece of humbug as odious as any yet mouthed by a Quisling," and adds: "The French people are not consenting parties to these surrenders, but it must be made clear to Vichy France that Britain and America cannot stand by while the resources of a rich empire, and the production of the French war factories are turned over to the [Reuter.

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French May "Fight Back" in Syria

Berlin, May 20.

Authorized German sources here yesterday hinted that the French may fight back against the British in Syria.

"It not only is possible but probable" that the French "may take defensive measures against British air attacks in Syria," said an authorized spokesman, "however, it perhaps would be too strong to describe these as 'counter measures'."

A communique may be issued today concerning the new Franco-German collaboration agreement, the authorized source also said.

However, the source said he had no knowledge of reports that the agreement would provide that Paris be placed outside the occupied zone.

"There is no reason to believe that change of the French Government seat has played any part in the agreement," said the authorized source.

Meanwhile, in New York, the National Broadcasting Company heard the De Gaulle radio in Brazzaville, Africa, being rebroadcast by the London Radio, appealing to all French to revolt against Vichy.

"Wherever, in our invaded empire, Frenchmen are in a position to make use of their guns, they must do so against the common enemy and against traitorous chiefs," the radio said.—United Press.

Vichy Holds Up Two American Ships

Washington, May 20.

It is reported here that the Vichy Government has stopped the departure of two United States vessels which recently arrived in Marseilles carrying 13,000 tons of flour.

Authoritative circles here state that if the reports should prove correct, the Vichy action will be a direct violation of the definite understanding that the ships would be released from French waters after unloading. Reuter.

Gen. de Gaulle

Iraqi Minister Confers With Ibn Saud

Vichy, May 20.

Rashid Ali's Finance Minister, Suwaidi, who already had two interviews with King Ibn Saud, has extended his stay in Saudi Arabia by 48 hours, according to a Baghdad message.—Reuter.

Berlin Denies Frau Hess Arrested

Berlin, May 20.

D.N.B., official German news agency, denied yesterday foreign press reports that Frau Rudolf Hess, wife of the No. 3 Nazi leader who recently fled to England, had been arrested by German police. The agency also denied reports that widespread political arrests had been carried out as a result of Herr Hess' flight to Scotland. The agency branded both reports as "pure inventions."—United Press.

Vichy Out to Regain Colonies From Free French

Vichy, May 20.

As Franco-German technical negotiations were resumed in Paris this morning regarding the reduction of occupation costs and the return of northern provinces, the Government's propaganda office reaffirmed the French Government's intention of starting shortly a campaign to reconquer colonies which had fallen into the hands of the Free French forces.

The official communique, however, emphasized that Germany and Italy would have no share in this campaign.

At noon today it was reported here that considerable progress had been made in the Paris negotiations between the Vice-Premier, Admiral Francois Darlan, and the German Ambassador-at-Large, Herr Otto Abetz.

The Propaganda Service's official communique announcing the proposed campaign against French colonies held by Degaullists specifically named Tchad, Gabon, French Congo and the Cameroons as "provinces of the French Empire over which French sovereignty must be integrally restored."

The new relaxed German regulations for traffic of merchandise and passage of money, stocks and bonds across the inter-zone line became effective today.

But there still was a strict survillance of passengers. German frontier guards yesterday forced half the passengers travelling from Paris to Vichy by express train to submit to close searches at the frontier.—United Press.

Kurdish Chieftain Supports Britain

Jerusalem, May 20.

Daoud Pasha Haidari, son of Sheik Ibrahim Haidari, leading Kurdish chieftain in northern Iraq, has pledged fullest support of the loyal Arabs of Iraq to Britain. Daoud Pasha is one of the most prominent leaders who accompanied the lawful Regent into exile and is now a member of his entourage.

He points out that the Kurds joined the Arabs forming the Kingdom of Iraq on condition that they would continue permanently loyal allies of Britain. "The Kurds will rise as one man against those who so shamefully violated the constitution of the country," he added. "I am confident the Kurds will join the struggle to attempt to save Iraq from subversive and destructive activities of a small group which has temporarily usurped the administration of Iraq."

A million Kurds inhabit northern Iraq and other adjacent areas.—Reuter.

Australia to Have Record Budget

Sydney, May 20.

It is anticipated that Australia's war expenditure in the 1941-42 budget will exceed that of the previous year by £180,000,000.

The Acting Prime Minister, Mr. A. W. Fadden, hopes to have this budget ready by August, and the indications are that it will be a record breaker.

It is anticipated that it will be called upon to contribute towards maintaining the Australian Imperial forces overseas, which cost was previously met by borrowing abroad, chiefly from the United Kingdom Government, or drawing on London funds against borrowings in Australia.—Reuter.

Royal Air Force Activity in the Middle East; Large Scale Attacks

Cairo, May 20.

A large formation of R.A.F. and South African aircraft carried out attacks on enemy tanks between Fort Capuzzo and Hallfaya on Sunday, according to an R.A.F. communique issued last night.

A number of tanks were put out of action and serious damage was inflicted on many more transport vehicles.

British fighters made extensive patrols, but no decisive engagements with the enemy resulted.

3 Nazis Downed

During the night of Friday/Saturday, aerodromes at Menastir and Bir Chelta were raided. Benghazi and Derna were also attacked on the following night by British bombers. Full details of these operations are not yet available, but it is known that considerable damage was caused.

During operations over Tobruk on Sunday, three German dive-bombers were shot down by anti-aircraft fire.

In Abyssinia, British aircraft continue to assist troops in mopping-up operations. Attacks are mainly confined to enemy motor-transport retreating along roads.

In Syria, bombing attacks were made on Palmyra aerodrome, where one large German transport aircraft and one Heinkel 111 were destroyed by fire. German aircraft on Damascus aerodrome and at Rayak were also bombed and machine-gunned. Raids were also made on Raschid aerodrome in Iraq.

A number of fires were started at Calato aerodrome on the island of Rhodes as a result of a raid carried out on Saturday night.

During enemy attacks on Allied aerodromes in Crete, one Dornier 17 and another unidentified aircraft were shot down by anti-aircraft guns.

From all these operations, one aircraft is missing.—Reuter.

Egyptian Vessel Carrying 142 Americans Reported Safe

Cairo, May 20.

THE United States Vice-Consul in Alexandria, Mr. Daniel Gaudin, yesterday told the United Press by telephone that the Egyptian steamer Zamzan had been reported safe. Later an official message from Washington to Cairo reported the ship as being safe.

"The United States Consulate has information from the Alexandria Navigation company that the Zamzam was officially reported missing and must be presumed to be lost but later the company heard from their New York office that the ship was safe. However, its present whereabouts are unknown," Mr. Gaudin said.

The Zamzam, with 142 Americans aboard, including a complete American ambulance corps unit, was reported to have been sunk, presumably by Axis action in the south Atlantic.—United Press.

Berlin Report

Berlin, May 20.

The entire crew and all passengers of the Egyptian steamer Zamzam have been rescued by a German ship, the Government officially announced today.—United Press.

142 Americans in Steamer

New York, May 20.

The Thomas Cook travel agency yesterday said 142 Americans were among the 202 passengers on the Egyptian steamer Zamzam, lost on a voyage between Pernambuco, Brazil and Cape Town, South Africa.

The steamer, which was believed to have been sunk as the result of Axis action, was carrying a complete American ambulance unit. Other passengers included 23 Canadians, 28 Britons, four Belgians, two Greeks, one Italian and one Frenchmen, the agency said.

The Zamzam carried 19 missionaries with seven children, representing the African Inland Mission, an interdenominational organization; also nine Seventh Day Adventists with one infant and several French Oblate fathers from Montreal.

Mr. Charles J. F. Murphy, Staff correspondent for "Fortune" magazine and Mr. David Scherman, photographer for "Life" magazine, several American business men and one R.A.F. pilot's wife and child also were believed to have been aboard the vessel, said the agency.—United Press.

U.S. Awaits Word

Washington, May 20.

Officials here yesterday were anxiously awaiting official reports concerning the Egyptian steamer Zamzam.

Officials were concerned not only because of the possible loss of American lives—142 Americans were said to have been aboard—but because the action apparently occurred on the south Atlantic route, which had been regarded as safe for neutral traffic.

The Zamzam's route was the same as that to be followed by U.S. freighters assigned to take supplies to Egypt. Germany has declared the Red Sea a combat zone but the United States has not recognized the designation.—United Press.

R.A.F. Renews Raids On Syrian Airfields

Cairo, May 20.

IGNORING threats of "defensive measures," Royal Air Force planes swooped down on Syrian airfields and bombed German planes halting there en route to Iraq, according to an official announcement made today.

One large German transport plane and one Heinkel III were set on fire and destroyed in a British attack on the Palmyra aerodrome in Syria, the R.A.F. announced.

The R.A.F. also bombed and machine-gunned German planes on the Damascus and Rayak aerodromes, added the announcement.

Unofficial quarters claimed yesterday that 50, instead of the originally mentioned 30 German planes had crossed French-mandated Syria to Iraq. French permission for the German planes to land in Syria resulted in British aerial bombardments of the Syrian aerodromes last week.—United Press.

British Bomb Palmyra

Beirut, May 20.

British warplanes bombed the Palmyra aerodrome in Syria as British gunboats and Iraqi artillery fought an artillery duel near Basrak, reports here said yesterday.

British leaflets also were dropped on Aleppo and Damascus and Deir Rezzor, it was said.

The Iraqi High Command announced that two British gunboats on the Tigris river south of Basrah duelled with Iraqi artillery firing from hill positions. The gunboats finally withdrew, said the High Command.

Iraqi planes destroyed 30 armoured cars and trucks in the Basrah area and dispersed others, the High Command also said.—United Press.

Batteries Open Fire

London, May 20.

Swiss Radio yesterday quoted a Vichy report that French anti-aircraft batteries had opened fire on Royal Air Force planes flying over several areas of Syria on Sunday. The radio broadcast said that during the day the R.A.F. dropped leaflets on many towns and villages of Syria.—United Press.

Patrols Doubled

Ras in Nagura, Syrian-Palestine Frontier, May 16.—(Delayed).

The Horse patrol in north Palestine wastelands has been redoubled because of tension, writes Henry Gorrell, United Press Staff Correspondent.

While travelling en route to the border I was impressed by the sight of Arabs and Jews industriously harvesting wheat and utilizing camels to haul heavy loads of grains which had been cut by hand. There was not the least sign of friction between Jews and Arabs in villages I passed through.—United Press.

No Retaliation

Madrid, May 20.

Reports from Berlin state that it is not expected in the German capital that the Vichy Government will take reprisals for the British bombing of Syrian aerodromes, although it is felt that Marshal Petain and Admiral Darlan are studying what are termed "protective measures."—Reuter.

Evacuation Reported

Jerusalem, May 20.

Evacuation of Syria and Lebanon by British, Americans and Palestinians on advice of their consuls is reported in a despatch to the Independent French Agency. Mining of the road from Beirut to northern Palestine is reported but unconfirmed.—Reuter.

Japanese Evacuation?

Tokyo, May 20.

The Foreign Office is considering despatch of a special ship to the Near East in order to evacuate more than 50 nationals from Iraq, Iran and Syria because of fears hostilities would spread further, the "Yomiuri" said today.—United Press.

Further Reshuffle in Spanish Cabinet

Madrid, May 20.

A further reshuffle of General Franco's Cabinet has resulted in new appointments to the Ministries of Labour, Agriculture and Finance.—Reuter.

Iraqi Town Near Habbaniyah Taken

By Reuter's Special Correspondent

Habbaniyah, Iraq, May 20.

Combined operations by British land and air forces with troop carriers operating from Habbaniyah have resulted in the capture of Fallujah, important bridgehead across the Euphrates linking Habbaniyah with Baghdad. Fallujah was being held by some of the Iraqi forces which had retired there after being ejected from the plateau overlooking the Habbaniyah aerodrome.

Although a considerable area between Habbaniyah and Fallujah had been flooded by retiring Iraqi forces a successful detour was made by British troops. Simultaneously troops carried by planes landed on the desert east of Fallujah and took up positions on three sides. Leaflets were dropped earlier, warning the inhabitants that an attack was imminent unless the garrison surrendered. After the prescribed interval the attack began, since no reply was received.

The capture of this important bridgehead some 15 miles from Habbaniyah opens up the road to Baghdad which is only 35 miles across the desert from Fallujah. Iraqi resistance was, for the most part, not formidable, and the heavy bombing attacks which preceded land operations by the British force considerably aided the success. While the attack was in progress a German Messerschmitt fighter made its appearance but flew off at high speed when attacked by R.A.F. fighters.—Reuter.

Invasion Unconfirmed

London, May 20.

Iraqi rebels have invaded Transjordan, states an Axis report. There is no confirmation of this in London.

The ruler of Transjordan, Emir Abdullah, issued a new appeal to the people of Transjordan in the official gazette today. According to the independent French news agency, the Emir stated that a small ambitious group had instigated a revolt in Iraq and had rendered bad service to the Arab cause by throwing into disorder a country which had symbolized Arab liberties.

After emphasizing the close ties of religion, race and dynasty uniting Transjordan and Iraq, the Emir stated that the British, far from having evil intentions towards Iraq, will conserve Iraq's independence and scrupulously carry out the terms of the treaty of alliance.—Reuter.

Higher Excess Profits Taxes in U.S. Asked

Washington, May 20.

A proposal that more than $1,000,000,000 to finance national defence expenditures be raised through an increased and broadened excess profits tax was made yesterday by Mr. John L. Sullivan, assistant Secretary of the Treasury, to the House Ways and Means Committee. He also suggested that corporation income taxes be increased and broadened.

Mr. Sullivan declared that many corporations profiting from national defence contracts were not paying excess profit levies.

The Assistant Secretary of Treasury stated that he had no changes "to suggest at this time" regarding personal income taxes but said that the danger of increasing living costs made it inadvisable for the government to consider lowering the exemptions level.—United Press.

Lull in German Air Activity Over Britain Continues

London, May 20.

FOR the third night in succession German air operations over Britain last night were on a limited scale.

Raiders were reported over several areas, but bombs were dropped only at a few points, including districts in the south-west, East Anglia and the east Midlands.

Some houses were damaged. A church was set on fire in East Anglia. In London the lull continued without even an alert.

Eight enemy planes have been destroyed over Britain during the last 24 hours. Two bombers were brought down during the night, a bomber was shot down into the sea during the morning, and five fighters were destroyed during the afternoon. Four British fighters are missing, but the pilots of three are safe.

Last night's Air Ministry Communique says that there was some enemy air activity over England during the day, mainly over the south and south-east coast, when two hostile aircraft flew inland, and dropped bombs at two places on the south coast. Some damage was done and a small number of casualties were caused, some of which were fatal.

The important German ports of Kiel and Emden were bombed once again last night by aircraft of the R.A.F. At Kiel the big shipbuilding yard was still further damaged.

Docks at Cherbourg were also attacked last night by aircraft of the fleet air arm. All the British aircraft returned safely from these operations

Four Spitfires patrolling over the Channel yesterday encountered ten Messerschmitt fighters, shot down five of them in as many minutes without loss to themselves and then, with ammunition spent, raced home safely though pursued by over 35 other Messerschmitts.

Two of the Spitfire pilots got two each and a third got one, states the Air Ministry news service.

Only one German had time to bale out, the others crashing into the sea in their machines.

"It was grand," said one pilot, "but I could not stay long, for as soon as I had got my two I saw about 25 other 'yellow noses' (Messerschmitts) coming at us, and I had no more ammunition."—Reuter.

Plane Over Cyprus

Nicosia, May 20.

An enemy reconnaissance aeroplane appeared over Cyprus yesterday afternoon and remained for 50 minutes, according to an official announcement. No bombs were dropped.—Reuter.

Democracies Can Safely Leave Japan to China

BY REUTERS FAR EASTERN EDITOR

London, May 20.

INCREASING help for China by America and Britain, coupled with firmness towards Japan are the main features of the Far Eastern situation as revealed by recent events.

"If the Democracies will give us help in arms and economic support, they can safely leave Japan to China. They need not trouble to send their navies and troops to China," said General Chiang Kai-shek at a farewell banquet to the departing American Ambassador, Mr. Nelson T. Johnson, last week in Chungking.

Evidently this view is shared in London and Washington. Following recent visits to Chungking of the economic expert, Mr. Laughlin Currie, and Captain James Roosevelt, the President's eldest son, Brigadier-General Henry Clagett, commanding the American air force in the Philippines, has now gone to Chungking on a month's visit to study China's military needs.

It is reliably reported that considerable supplies from America, including aeroplanes, which are China's greatest need, have recently been reaching Chungking via the Burma Road.

Usefulness Increases

Despite all the Japanese bombings, traffic along this famous road continues to increase. Trustworthy foreign correspondents who have recently travelled along it state positively that it can never be interrupted. When bridges over the Salween and Mekong rivers were broken, the ingenious Chinese constructed makeshift ferries carefully hidden during the day, while an army of coolies waits along the road to fill up bomb craters.

Meanwhile, Mr. Anthony Eden's statement in the House of Commons last week, expressing warm admiration for China's determined struggle against Japanese domination, and promising all possible help from Britain has evoked long applause.

While British help in munitions is at present necessarily limited by Britain's own necessities, the recent British loan of £5,000,000 for Chinese currency stabilization has already had a steadying effect on the Chinese exchange. The further £5,000,000 credits for the purchase of supplies by China within the sterling bloc should also prove valuable to the Chinese.

Plain Speaking

In a further statement, Mr. Eden revealed that he had told the Japanese Government plainly that their complaints of economic restrictions by Britain would receive no consideration until Japan does something practical to fulfil her innumerable promises to respect British interests in China.

The extent of the Japanese Army's stranglehold over trade in occupied China is hardly realized abroad. No imports or exports can pass without the permission of the Army, which is notoriously making huge squeeze out of its control. It is interesting to note that no difference is made between Axis and non-Axis peoples. German and Italian merchants suffer as much as any other non-Japanese traders.

The steady refusal of Britain and America to be intimidated by Japanese bluster can hardly fail to impress the Japanese, who are essentially realists: they respect strength and despise appeasement. Moreover, there are many signs that there has been a wave of collective dissatisfaction in Tokyo.

Pact Misgivings

Mr. Matsuoka's pact with Russia has not been well received by the military and naval command, which points out that the pact is useless so long as it does not stop Russia from sending arms to China.

The Japanese press is also much alarmed by rumours that Germany is angling for fresh concessions from Russia in return for giving the latter a free hand in Asia.

The newspaper "Hochi Shimbun," the most pro-Axis of all the Japanese papers, says that Japan must watch her step carefully, and that even a German victory in Europe would by no means necessarily lead to the fulfilment of Japan's hopes in Asia.

The plain fact is that while Japanese soldiers continue to be held up in a lasting war in China, Japan cannot embark on further large schemes of aggression.—Reuter.

Chinese Divisions Said Annihilated

Virtual annihilation of one Chinese division, the 148th, and partial annihilation of four others, the 35th, the 13th, the 16th and the 79th, was alleged by the acting Japanese army spokesman, Lieut. Matsuda, in describing the violent fighting in the Chuki area during the past week at yesterday's press conference here. The usual army spokesman, Col. Akiyama is now in Nanking.

Confused by the sudden Japanese attack, headquarters of the Chinese 10th army issued orders which failed to conform to the actual situation, said Lieut. Matsuda. This was proved, he said, when several members of the staff officers department of the 148th Division were captured and one of these men, revealed that Gen. Yu Chi-shi had ordered destruction of the highway from Changshin to Sichan on May 18, two days after the Japanese forces had received orders to move in another direction. Gen Yu is deputy commander of the 10th army, said the Japanese army spokesman.

A Japanese aerial scout had reported that no Chinese units were in the neighbourhood of Chuki, said the spokesman. Mopping up operations were in progress in that area, he said, while the Japanese forces were preparing for movements in other directions.

Heavy Losses

Hankow, May 19.

The main body of Chungking's 29th Army, trapped by the Japanese forces which were advancing from three directions at a point 45 kilometres south of Tsoyang, has thus far left behind 2,059 dead, field despatches arriving here revealed.

Although operations are still continuing in the mountains of Tanghiawan area, where the enemy erected strong fortifications, Japanese troops up to date have captured 149 prisoners, in addition to 10 trench mortars, 18 heavy machine guns, 770 rifles and other military equipment, the despatches added.—Domei.

Nanchang Operations Cease

Nanchang, May 19.

Japanese troops which started mopping-up operations in the areas south of Nanchang at dawn yesterday successfully concluded their operations today, after dealing a crushing blow to 3,000 enemy regulars belonging to Chungking's 5th Division.

A day after the Japanese troops had started operations, several Japanese units captured enemy strongholds at Wenchungtung and Tingfangting, both 32 kilometres south of Nanchang, while other Japanese units, continuing their advance southward, pursued the enemy to Sinlinfu, 50 kilometres south of Nanchang, and succeeded in encircling the Chinese forces.

As a result of these operations, the enemy abandoned 385 dead, while 79 were made prisoner. Booty included eight heavy machine guns, 112 rifles and large quantities of arms and ammunition.—Domei.

Chinese Claim Success

Chungking, May 20.

While admitting that one Chinese divisional commander, General Wang Chun, had been killed in action in the Chungtiaoshan battle, in Southern Shansi, a Chinese military spokesman today denied a Japanese report that two Chinese army corps and the divisional commander had been taken prisoner.

"With fighting in the Chungtiao mountains on such a large scale, there are bound to be heavy casualties on both sides. After a fortnight of desperate fighting, in which the Japanese suffered thousands of casualties, the situation is now developing in our favour."—Reuter.

Roosevelt to Create Civil Defence Office

Washington, May 20.

President Roosevelt today will create the Office of Civilian Defence to mobilize civilians for home defence as thoroughly as the Office of Production Management has been mobilizing factories and machines.

Mayor Fiorello La Guardia of New York was expected to be named head of the new agency.

It was understood that he would not resign from the mayorality.

White House officials would not confirm that President Roosevelt would announce the programme today, but there was every indication that he would.

The President conferred for nearly two hours with Mayor La Guardia yesterday. Then he advanced his usual 4 p.m. press confer conference to 10.30 a.m., which would permit American afternoon newspapers to publish details in all their main editions of any announcement that he makes.

The new home defence agency will be a peacetime preparation for war that will have a profound effect on the living habits of millions of men, women and children.

The only comparable recent Government move affecting civilian life so broadly was the N.R.A. of early New Deal days.

The main objective of the new agency will give all persons not in military service a chance to "do their bit" and prepare them for war conditions if and when they come.—United Press.

"Profound Satisfaction"

Tokyo, May 20.

Profound satisfaction was expressed by Dr. Nobumi Ito, President of the information Board over the formal recognition extended to Manchoukuo by the Bulgarian government in a statement issued at noon today.—Domei.

Japan Admits Delay In N.E.I. Talks

Tokyo, May 20.

Asked regarding the progress of the economic talks between Japan and the Netherlands East Indies, the deputy spokesman of the Information Board said this morning that no information had been received from Mr. Kenkichi Yoshizawa, chief Japanese delegate to the parleys.

He added however: "Mr. Yoshizawa is likely to stay patiently in Batavia until some concrete result is obtained, though that may take a long time."—Reuter.

Japan to Blame

Batavia, May 20.

Under the heading "New Provocations," the newspaper "Java Bode" in an editorial about the new allegations in the Japanese press regarding the delay in the Netherlands East Indies-Japan trade talks pointed out that the Japanese press in its campaigns against the Netherlands East Indies is mostly so uncontrolled and ill-mannered that it would be no use to polemize or try to reduce to real proportions all the inaccuracies which it puts before its readers.

The paper expressed the opinion that Japan is now trying to put pressure on the Netherlands East Indies by means of the Japanese press and emphasized the fact it is Japan herself who so many times in the eight or nine months of negotiations delayed the talks.

"Japan chose its side in this war. The Netherlands East Indies did the same and there cannot be any doubt regarding its determination to aid as much as possible the other side. The only effect the threats and provocations in the Japanese press in the Netherlands East Indies will be an even greater effort for the benefit of the Allied cause and even greater suspicion regarding Japanese intentions."

The paper concluded by pointing out that the Netherlands East Indies-Japan trade talks begin to look somewhat unreal against a background of the tripartite pact and the abuses in the Japanese press.—Reuter.

★Advance Held Up In Abyssinia

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Somaliland, since when he has travelled 1,500 miles and frequently met fierce resistance in strong natural positions, says "The Daily Telegraph," commenting on the situation.

Moral Effect

"The moral effect of these victories throughout the Middle East must be considerable. The defeat of the Italians, and Hitler's inability to retrieve it, mark the first serious breach in the spell of Axis invincibility in the field."

"The Times" declares the Duke of Aosta's welcome decision enables Britain to undertake new commitments in other theatres of war, the first of which is Iraq, where, thanks to Raschid Ali's machinations and the simultaneous treachery and short-sightedness of the Vichy Government, Germany is practising her favourite strategy of infiltration. "Though Abyssinia, Libya, Syria and Iraq are for the moment Britain's sole responsibility, other regions, such as Morocco and Senegal, where Vichy's subservience to the Germans may bring new perils, do not concern Britain alone since an attempt to dominate the South Atlantic through them, would amount to a threat to the Americas."

Messages Exchanged

The Duke of Aosta and Mussolini exchanged messages before the surrender of Amba Alagi.

The Duke, after showing that surrender was no longer avoidable, said, according to the Rome radio: "I am comforted in this tragic and sad moment with the certainty of having done all that was humanly possible. But the war is not finished. Soon we shall return to these lands once more drenched with Italian blood for the glory of our country."

The Duce replied: "You and your soldiers have fought heroically. The Italian people have followed your stand with admiration and share your certainty for the future."—Reuter.

Rome Explains

Rome, May 20.

Italian quarters here yesterday generally attributed the fall of Amba Alagi to the overwhelming number of British troops and arms against which the Italians were at a disadvantage because they had neither aviation nor anti-aircraft guns.

Italian quarters emphasized that even the supply of hand grenades was exhausted before the Italian troops surrendered. Defenders used improvized incendiary hand grenades made from bottles and combustible materials.

The Italians resisted 40 days, the British starting the siege of Amba Alagi on April 6, it was pointed out.

British forces which attacked Amba Alagi were augmented by rebels and mercenaries during the latter part of the siege, it was said.—United Press.

Cunningham Congratulated

Pretoria, May 20.

"South Africa has been thrilled by the news of the surrender of the Duke of Aosta with the principal remaining forces in Abyssinia," declared the South African Prime Minister, General Smuts, yesterday in a congratulatory message to General Cunningham, who commands the Imperial forces in East Africa.

"I send you our warm congratulations on the crowning victory at Amba Alagi, which is a just reward for your brilliant leadership and the high quality of your brave officers and men. The whole Abyssinian campaign will take a high place in the annals of warfare, and add an illustrious chapter to African and South African history."—Reuter.

N.E.I. Incensed by Vichy Actions

Batavia, May 20.

For some days now, since the Vichy government concluded its agreement with Germany and events in Syria pointed to further Vichy cooperation with the Nazis, the press of the Netherlands East Indies has been incensed by the Vichy government's "treachery" and has been demanding the withdrawal from their midst of an "enemy" representative—the Vichy Consul-General in Batavia.

Yesterday one paper suggested that the Vichy representative should not be allowed to fly the French flag in the future, "the once honoured tricolour having gained the qualities of a red rag in the eyes of a bull now that Marshal Petain and Admiral Darlan have steeped themselves in the mire of treachery."

It continued: "We hope not to see this flag floating over the Consulate-General again before it has been adorned with the Cross of Lorraine, the symbol of the Free French." The article concluded with the words: "Down with Vichy! Long live de Gaulle!"—Reuter.

Remarkable Pluck of British Pilot

London, May 20

Splendid pluck and endurance were shown by a young pilot officer engaged in an attack on the aerodrome of Gazala in Libya. Diving very low with a total disregard for heavy ground fire, he sprayed two large enemy aircraft on the ground until they were destroyed. He then swooped on a concentration of mechanized transport, braving a hail of machine-gun bullets.

He received wounds in the head and shoulders and was losing blood rapidly when he turned his aircraft towards the Egyptian frontier 250 miles away. Lacking sufficient strength to reach his squadron's base, he made a successful landing within the British lines where he fainted as he was helped from the cockpit.—Reuter.

Objections to Flights Do Not Stop Japan

Batavia, May 20.

The fifth experimental flight" of the Japanese four-motored flying boat Urami between Palau and Timor would be continued despite Dutch objections against flights close to Netherlands East Indies' territory, it was reported today.—United Press.

Ratification of Russo-Japanese Treaty

FROM PERCY WHITEING
N.C.D.N. Special Correspondent in Japan

Commenting on Mr. Cordell Hull's statement on May 18, in which he proposed a five point scheme for post-war world economics and in which he particularly mentioned that raw materials must be made available to all nations, a high government official told me that such ideas may be excellent in principle, but that it seems far too early to discuss them and that the Japanese Government was unlikely to send any reply.

This afternoon there was an exchange between Mr. Matsuoka and the Soviet Ambassador, Constantin Smetanin, of ratifications of the Russo-Japanese neutrality treaty at an impressive ceremony signifying that the two countries had agreed to sink their differences at least for the duration of the present world convulsion, leaving each other's hands free to pursue their respective policies.

Four U.S. Pilots Killed When Planes Crash

Savannah, Ga., May 20.

Four officers and enlisted men of the United States Army Air Corps were killed when two light Army bombers crashed near Rains, S.C., the Army officially announced yesterday. The two bombers were flying in a formation of six planes en route to Langley Field from Savannah when they crashed and were destroyed by fire.

Those killed were Sec. Lieut. Frank B. Ralson of Pittsburgh, Sec. Lieut. Allen J. Moore of Reno, Nev., Sergeant David L. Boyd of Frost, Texas and Corporal Herbert O. Pruett of Collinsville, Miss. Lieut. Moore was killed while trying to parachute from his plane.—United Press.

Joint German-Soviet Action Seen

London, May 20.

The Soviet Army began its Spring maneouvres with a considerabe concentration of troops in the Tashkent region near the frontier of Iran, according to a despatch by the "New York Times" Ankara correspondent quoted by the Ankara radio on Monday night.

The correspondent cites diplomatic reports in Ankara as indicating that Russia and Germany "would appear to be arranging some sort of joint action in the Middle East" and specifically mentions reports of negotiations for the use by Germany of Russian ships on the Black Sea to transport war materials to Russian ports for transit to Iran and Iraq.—Reuter.

Atlantic Flier Gets Home Guard Command

London, May 20.

Sir Arthur White Brown, who with Sir John Alcock made the first Atlantic flight in 1919, has been appointed a Lieutenant-Colonel in the Home Guard with command of a battalion. Sir Arthur Brown was a Lieutenant in the R.A.F. in the past war, and is now an active flying officer in the training branch.

Another battalion commander appearing in the same list is Major-General George Raikes, formerly of the Royal Marines, who served in the South African and World Wars.—Reuter.

Increased Australian Industry Urged

Sydney, May 20.

A much greater degree of nationalization of Australian industry is foreseen by the Acting Prime Minister, Mr. A. W. Fadden, in a statement today. He says this would be more than hitherto they had reason to foresee.

While Australia's war effort had won golden opinions throughout the world, much more would be demanded of her before she could hope for victory. Collectively and severally every Australian would be required to suffer the rigours and regimentations of war, he added.—Reuter.

Mrs. Lindbergh Favours Aid to Britain

New York, May 20.

Mrs. Ann Morrow Lindbergh, wife of the well known isolationist aviator Col. Charles Lindbergh, declared today in an article in the "Atlantic monthly" that she believes "we should help Britain."

"My heart draws me to help those I love and admire but my mind asks if prolongation of the war will contribute to their survival, she added. She agreed with her husband, however, that United States entry into the war would be an "objective hopelessly beyond our range."—Reuter.

Chinese Government Changes Seen

Chungking, May 20.

General Yu Fei-peng, Quartermaster-General of the Army, is likely to be appointed Minister of Communications, replacing Mr. Chang Kia-ngau, who may be appointed Minister of Trade, according to a Chinese press report. General Yu, it is added, is at present drafting important plans for the improvement of Chinese communications.—Reuter.

Roosevelt Attacked By Nazi Journal

Berlin, May 19.

"Trade and economy throughout the entire world will recover their prosperity in the economic system that we are defending and not in the ruinous system advocated by President Roosevelt," the "Voelkischer Beobachter," official organ of the National-Socialist Party, declared today in an editorial comment on the statement made by the President of the United States a few days ago.

President Roosevelt, it may be recalled, stressed the necessity of the United States maintaining its liberal economic and political system in order to help world economy to come out of the chaos in which it has been plunged by the totalitarian states.

"It is inadmissible that President Roosevelt should make the Axis responsible for the situation in which world economy finds itself at present," the paper said. "President Roosevelt forgets no doubt that there were 7,000,000 unemployed in Germany and 11,000,000 in the United States, and that at a time when National-Socialism had not yet come to powers.—Havas Telemondial.

★Franco-Nazi Negotiations

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enemy. Against such forms of collaboration we must take vigorous action."

De Gaulle Statement

Complete disavowal of the "agreements" between the Vichy Government and Germany is contained in a declaration by General de Gaulle to the British Government and the chiefs of the Allied governments in London.

It states that the Vichy "government" has placed itself in a position which deprives it of all independence with regard to the invader. The source of Vichy so-called government lies exclusively in the person of an old man who for many years has been known to be enfeebled by age.

The declaration continues—"France cannot and must not be held responsibe for the acts supposedly committed in her name by the rulers who usurped power and subjected themselves to the enemy. The French nation is continuing the war by means of all her military forces and territories outside enemy control, and should therefore be considered a belligerent nation by all states and as an ally by those who fight the common enemies."

"Satisfactory" Talks

Franco-German negotiations continue to make "satisfactory progress", it is officially announced in Vichy, according to the German news agency. Permission to enter the occupied northern and western areas is to be granted to officials and leaders of industrial and agricultural concerns provided their presence is essential for administrative and economic purposes.—Reuter.

Darlan Leaves For Paris

Vichy, May 20.

Admiral Darlan left Vichy for Paris yesterday to renew his negotiations with the German authorities as a further stage towards closer Franco-German collaboration.

According to a Berlin message, it is expected that a communique on the situation between France and Germany will be issued during the next few hours.—Reuter.

Only Solution to China Problem—Fight On

Tokyo, May 20.

The "Kokumin" this morning prominently published a front-page article asserting that the continuation of military drives in China was the only way open for Japan to attain a satisfactory solution of the China Affair.

The paper predicted that Mr. Kumataro Honda's current talks in Tokyo with Japanese leaders would be followed by a visit to Tokyo of representatives of the Nanking government for a discussion of ways and means of strengthening cooperation.

The "Kokumin" stressed the fact that many great difficulties still were ahead and admonished Japanese against misinterpretations of Mr. Honda's statements and his recent interviews.

It also recalled the statement made by General Shunroku Hata, new Commander-in-Chief of the Japanese Expeditionary Forces in China shortly after his arrival in Nanking, that the "war has only begun," and calling upon the home front to prepare for all sacrifices needed for a sustained struggle.

The article in conclusion predicted that the Tokyo authorities would broadly adopt Mr. Honda's recommendations which would result in an immediate and effective strengthening of cooperation between the Tokyo and Nanking governments.—Domei.

Canadian Officers Get Special Training

London, May 20.

Brigadiers and colonels of the Canadian Corps in Britain have recently changed their ranks and uniforms for greasy overalls. They went through an intensive three-day course in the practical side of maintenance of mechanical transport, to give them an understanding of mechanical problems and in order to form a common policy of maintenance and inspection of motor-transport.

They were lectured on their own responsibilities for their equipment and given demonstrations in details of the mechanism of various types of vehicles. Afterwards they carried out maintenance jobs on lorries, Wagons staff cars, and bren-gun carriers.—Reuter.

British Auxiliary Naval Vessel Lost

London, May 20.

The naval auxiliary vessel Camito of 6,833 tons has been sunk, the Admiralty announced today.

The Admiralty announcement did not mention where or when the vessel had been sunk.—United Press.

German Pressure on Greeks Reported

London, May 20.

British prisoners having been cheered when passing through the streets of Athens, the Germans have issued a decree stating that persons indulging in such demonstrations will in future be punished by death, says a Cairo despatch to the Independent French agency. "Accomplices" will be sentenced to prison for five years.

The German authorities in Greece are pillaging foodstuffs and metals, the despatch also states. The whole of the raisin and olive crops are being seized. Vegetables are requisitioned and sent to Germany daily. Gold, copper and aluminium articles also are being requisitioned and the churches are rifled in the process. Housewives are allowed to retain only two saucepans per family.

Young persons are being sent to work in Germany. To escape persecutors many are fleeing into the mountants of Peloponnese where they are being hidden by the inhabitants.

The message said that Greek officers are forbidden to appear in the principal streets of Athens which are reserved for the German military.—Reuter.

Mystery of Nazi Ship Lech Deepens

Rio de Janeiro, May 20.

The mystery of the whereabouts of the German freighter Lech of 3,290 tons, which left Rio de Janeiro on April 28 has deepened following the report made by officers of the Brazilian vessel Pirangy.

When Pirangy arrived at Rio on Monday, the officer who was on the bridge on the night of May 4 declared that off Abrolhosto, southward of Bahia, he saw several ships and boats in which sailors made signals with lights. The officer was unable to identify the boats.

On the same night, the wireless operator of the Pirangy picked up an S.O.S. from the German freighter Lech addressed to Bahia radio station. It is recalled that reports circulating a fortnight ago asserted that the Lech had been intercepted by a British auxiliary cruiser off Bahia and had scuttled herself. These reports were not substantiated.—Reuter.

FUNERAL

Master Michel Tai

Funeral services were held yesterday for the late Master Michel Tai, the twelve year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Tai Ming Fu, who died last Saturday evening after suffering from typhoid fever. A Requiem Mass was held at the Church of St. Pierre on Avenue Dubail with the Rev. Father Bielaut officiating. Interment followed immediately afterward at the Lokawei Cemetery, where many friends and relatives gathered to pay their last respects. A beautiful cross of roses from "Jacqueline" rested upon the little white casket that was carried to the grave by Messrs:—Wilson Tai, Jacques Tai, Georges Tai, Lucien Tai, Andre Bagnon and Louis Sie. Among others sending flowers were:—

Famille Tai; Freres et Soeurs: Andre et Louis; Lydia et Lucie; Simone et Lulu; Pert du Personnel Europeen de la Perception; Roger Deveux; Madame et Mr. Claudel; Geo famille; Mr. K. F. Hsu; Pierre Lavie; Michel Mansion and Pierre Millot; Valentin Ruffio; Nicolas Sherstoboeff et Marie-Therese Guilhamet; Louis Raymond Desfosses; Mr. et Mme Su; G. S. Ting; Mr. et Mme S. M. Wang; Mr. et Mme T. T. Wang; Pierre, Jean, Marc et Guy Yoh; Mr. et Mme Clui; and others.

Funeral arrangements were under the direction of the International Funeral Directors.

Princess Hohenlohe May be Released

San Francisco, May 20.

Because Princess Stephanie Hohenlohe has co-operated with the United States Government and furnished interesting information, and because it is difficult to obtain a passport for her, she may be released from detention, according to the chief of the United States Immigration Service, Mr. L. B. Schofield.

The Princess has been held for deportation for several weeks. It had been alleged that she had been working as a German agent in co-operation with Fritz Weidermann, German Consul-General in San Francisco.

The deportation order, however, remains in force, and the Princess must report her whereabouts and her activities to the Government at all times.—Reuter.

Ex-King Carol Leaving For Havana

New York, May 20.

The Alcoa steamship company, yesterday said that ex-King Carol of Rumania was to leave Bermuda today in the ss. Acadia, which was to arrive in St. Thomas on May 29. Carol then is to sail on the ss. American for Havana, where he is due to arrive June 1.—United Press.

Nazis Denounced By U.S. Leader

New York, May 20.

A bitter denunciation of Nazi political control of foreign trade and a reiteration of previous Administration advocacy of methods to insure delivery of war materials to Britain and her allies featured a speech yesterday by Mr. Nelson A. Rockefeller, administration spokesman and coordinator of commercial and cultural relations between the American Republics.

"We must produce goods needed in defence of the free way of life," Mr. Rockefeller declared while addressing a World Trade luncheon featuring observance of the National Foreign Trade Week.

"We must see that these goods reach the armies of the democracies and I am confident that we will. We are united in support of any and all measures necessary to achieve these purposes," he added.

Nazi Control Denounced

Mr. Rockefeller denounced Nazi political control of foreign trade, declaring that a post-war "compromise is unthinkable. He who would have to trade with Hitler would be compelled to do so on Hitler's terms and he would be compelled deliberately to close his eyes to the coupling of commerce with political penetration.

"We want and need foreign trade but not that trade which is used by the totalitarian powers as levers for political domination.

Mr. Rockefeller advocated a four-point programme for aiding hemispheric defence through foreign trade policies, urging that U. S. foreign trade groups carry out the following programme:

1. Replace agents engaged in anti-American activity;
2. Increase purchases from Latin-America;
3. Maintain adequate shipping in inter-American trade;
4. Supply essential manufactured goods to other American Republics.—United Press.

Malayan Strike Settled

Kuala Lumpur, May 20.

Strikers in the rubber-producing state of Selangor have returned to work and order has now been restored. Over 200 alleged agitators have been arrested. Labour unrest which had existed for some time came to a head last week. Police and soldiers who were called out to control the situation are now gradually being withdrawn.

The High Commissioner, Sir Shenton Thomas, warned the strikers to return to work and ignore agitators. He promised that all legitimate grievances would be properly investigated.—Reuter.

Fighter Squadron to Be Named After Uganda

London, May 20.

Uganda has now raised a total of £100,000 for the purchase of fighter aircraft and a squadron will be named after the Protectorate. The final total was reached with gifts of £5,700 from a local committee and £10,000 from Buganda.—Reuter.

Decree Absolute Granted

A decree absolute was granted by Judge P. Grant Jones in H.M. Supreme Court yesterday to Mrs. Stella Walker, represented by Mr. K. E. Newman in her action for a dissolution of her marriage to Mr. William C. Walker.

Sig. Mussolini Receives Japanese Mission

Rome, May 20.

Mussolini, in the presence of the under-Secretaries of Air, War and Navy, yesterday received the Japanese military mission in the Venice Palace.

Gen. Yamashita Tomoyuki, chief of the Japanese mission, read a message from Lieutenant-General Hideki Tojo, Japanese Minister of War and also from the Chief of the Japanese general staff. General Ugo Cavallero, Chief of the Italian general staff, accompanied the delegates to the palace.

Mussolini praised Italo-Japanese friendship.—United Press.

U.S. Captain Made Head Of Peru's Navy

Washington, May 20.

Navy officials last night announced that Captain William Quigley of the United States Navy, was unprecedently appointed Chief of the General Staff of the Peruvian Navy by the Peru Government.

It was said that President Manuel Prado replaced Admiral Cotalde who is now in the United States on a naval tour.

Captain Quigley has been serving in a United States naval mission in Peru since last October, and by the appointment will become virtually chief of naval operations.—Domei.

Soviet Ambassador Talks With Iraq Minister

Ankara, May 20.

Soviet Ambassador Sergei Vinogradov yesterday conferred for more than an hour with Iraqi Minister Kamil Gailani.

It was believed in authoritative quarters that the meeting will increase the possibility of Soviet aid to Iraq.—Domei.

Australian War Loan Over-Subscribed

Canberra, May 20.

Following a last-minute rush, Australia's £35,000,000 War Loan closed yesterday after being over-subscribed by an amount which the acting Prime Minister, Mr. Fadden, estimates at £750,000. The result is considered extremely gratifying, particularly in view of the fact that the number of subscribers was more than double the number for the previous loan.—Reuter.

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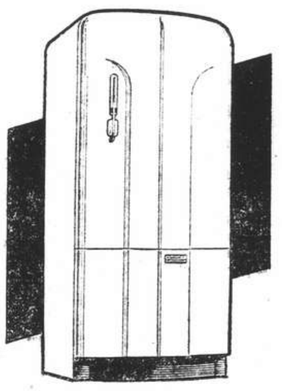
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Air Supremacy of R.A.F. Over Enemy Predicted in Broadcast

THE war in the air was commented upon by Major Oliver Stewart in a B.B.C. broadcast on Saturday. The speaker dealt with the increasing superiority of the Royal Air Force over the enemy, although he warned the listeners that complete air supremacy would not come immediately, since the initial leeway must be made up. The losses of the German air force were also discussed and the broadcast was concluded with the speaker voicing his opinion that Great Britain in nearer now than ever before to attain air supremacy.

The complete broadcast follows:

One of the important things brought home to us in this war is the ability of aircraft to transport war material on a large scale. It is the Germans who started to develop this, and they proved that sufficient men and supplies can be landed from the air behind the lines to effect the capture of bridges and forts. Small guns can be carried over by air-craft, and perhaps even small tanks, though I have no definite information that such tanks are being built. The Germans are lavish in their supply of planes for this job, and they do not appear to mind severe losses. The 'Junkers 52' is their favourite type, for it is capable of quick mass production—in their attacks on the Dutch airfields near Rotterdam, the Germans lost this type of plane by the dozen, but they sent over more and more, and at length captured the air-bases.

Obsolete Machine

This is an obsolete all-metal three engined machine, but it can carry twenty to thirty men, production is easy, and it is very easy to fly—even quite inexperienced pilots can fly it the short distance required, and will probably be able to land even in bad weather without killing many of the occupants. In its lavish use we see the German idea of mass, and in the early stages of the war it proved successful. The Germans are developing the scheme by building bigger and faster troop and supply carriers: they have a variation of the Fokker-Wolf transport plane, it has a span of 110 feet and a speed of 300 miles per hour: then there is the Junkers '90' a big four engined machine formerly used for commercial transport capable of taking 40 passengers and the Germans are converting this type into troop carriers.

The Germans must be given credit for exploring the capabilities of this field, for up to the outbreak of war we were appallingly backward, quite ignoring the possibility of landing parachutists or heavy equipment. But all this has changed.

Ahead of Germans

The other day you heard that howitzers were carried by air from Basra to Habbaniyah, and that planes were used to evacuate civilians from the oil-fields. In the end we catch up and finally get ahead, but we were slow starters and at any rate we now know how to deal with air-borne troops. This form of warfare will be seen on an increasing scale in the Mediterranean, for the trip from Sicily to Lybia is an easy one, and in attacks on Crete we may expect the enemy to use air-transport for all they are worth, raining down parachutists to seize air-bases.

Crete may well be the key to the Eastern Mediterranean, and it is only 420 miles from Alexandria. Therefore we decided, as Mr. Churchill said, to join with the Greeks in defending Crete to the very best of our ability. Then there are the islands between Greece and Turkey that have been captured by the Germans. From Rhodes to Syria is but 200 miles, but the direct flight to Iraq is too far for troop-carrying planes, and so bases must first be secured in Syria. If we reckon 10 soldiers and their equipment weigh a ton it will be seen that this form of transport is still limited in its scope to flights of well under 1,000 miles, and troops who have emerged from a packed, long air journey will not be in the best condition to face a hot reception.

The longest RAF flight so far was to Poland and back last February, when bombers flew 1750 miles—troops and their supplies could not well be carried more than a quarter of that distance at present, but if the Germans can get the 40 passenger planes organized on a large scale, the practical distance will be increased.

Gliders May Be Used

Britain is using the airways on a much bigger scale than the Germans; in the Atlantic Ferry service bombers transport themselves from the factories in America to the air-bases in Britain. At the moment this is limited to the aircraft themsevles but there is talk of carrying parts of fighters inside the bombers—this is not impracticable, but a much better plan is to fly the fighters over, and this development is coming. True, our Atlantic Ferry Service is a 'behind the lines' form of transport, but its importance must not be minimized, and so far the Germans have done nothing to interfere with it.

Returning to the capture of forts and strong points by air-borne troops we must expect big operations of this nature to be tried on Gibraltar, by parachutists. In an invasion of Britain, gliders would probably be used as well, and a Junkers' 52' could tow several. The advantages of gliders are that there is no noise after they have been cut loose from the towing plane, and if released at a great height they could glide silently for a long distance and would have a much better choice of landing places than parachutists have. But to take and hold important points they must link up quickly with land forces bringing heavier guns and equipment of all kinds than can yet be carried by air.

Increasing R.A.F. Superiority

Complacency was one of our troubles when we entered the war, but this bad habit was soon overcome. The escape of Hess from Germany has distracted our attention from the war in the air, but we know that it is soon likely to flare up on a bigger scale than ever, and we are on the eve of big events.

Speculation as to where the flare-up will come is very hazy because whilst there is continuous pressure on many fronts there's no particular focal point at the moment. The widespread fronts are over Lybia, Iraq, Syria, Crete, Suez, and Britain, and whatever happens anywhere else, the air-war will be going on as usual over these Islands, and we won't be leaving Germany alone, and so a survey now may therefore be useful.

A few months ago I said that I thought the German First Line Aircraft numbered about 5,000, and that they might have 3,000 in reserve, and I doubt whether they have been able to make an appreciable improvement in these figures....The Germans are busy working on new types of planes and this inevitably means that production of existing types must have slowed down. When new types are being introduced factories must go temporarily out of action—there is no breakdown, but there must be a pause. We also are changing over to new types, but part of our supplies come from the United States, and the United States are not changing their present programme.

Numerical Air Supremacy

True, they are modifying the Lockheed-Hudson and the Boeing Flying Fortress and the 'Liberator,' but there is no change of type and the output is fast swinging up to war production peak. In their medium bombers again there is no radical change and production is on the up-grade. The heavy bombers are flown direct across the Atlantic, so all in all we have an advantage in output over the Germans. The enemy is doing his best to make up for this by forcing the factories in occupied countries to turn out planes, but even so I do not think he has improved his position as compared with ours.

We have been told more than once that if we can just hold on for long enough we are bound to attain numerical air supremacy. We are well on the way towards this numerical supremacy, but an even more important factor is the production of new and better types, so it is not just a straight production race.

Although the combined production rate of Britain and the United States is now ahead of Germany's, complete air supremacy will not come immediately for we have the initial leeway to make up. The new frequent daylight sweeps are a sure sign of coming air supremacy and are driving the enemy's air-front farther away from our shores. The development of our main air offensive has been delayed by the call for planes in the Battle of the Atlantic, the need to bomb coastal supply bases and shipyards, particularly submarine bases, and the attacks on the Scharnhorst and Gneisenau at Brest.

Enemy Losses

On recent nights we have experienced the severest raids of the war but we have taken a steadily increasing toll of enemy bombers and will definitely wear down the enemy. The defence against raids falls under three headings: Raids in Daylight, Moonlight, and in Darkness; we've mastered the daylight raiders, and we now take a heavy toll in moonlight, but the raids in complete darkness have still to be overcome. On moonless nights the aim of the bombers is much less accurate, and the risk of flying accidents is considerable. Naturally, the Germans don't disclose the number of planes sent over at any one time, but their losses are steadily rising as a percentage.

I estimate that in the very heavy raid of May 10, the Germans lost 10 per cent. of all planes sent over, but this was a moonlight raid. Part of our defence consists of machine-gunning and bombing enemy air bases during the course of raids, and in one way and another night attacks are costing the Germans more to make. Observers in the United States have indicated that we shall attain air supremacy in the summer of 1941, but there are many uncertainties in war, and the only way to ensure air-supremacy is to go on working as we know how. In my opinion, air supremacy is nearer now than at any time so far during the present war.

Wenchow Looted of All Commodities

Conditions in Wenchow, important east Chekiang district recaptured from the Japanese more than a week ago by Chinese forces, are reported by Chinese press to be quickly returning to normal, but in view of lack of commodities as a result of extensive looting, it is hoped that large quantities of commodities may be sent to that war-torn district. The "Sin Shun Pao" reports that shipping between Shanghai and Ningpo and Shaoshing has already been resumed by the East Asia Navigation Society.

Nine out of every ten shops in Wenchow are said to have reopened for business but a few big shops where looting had taken place still remain closed. Prices of commodities of every day use have jumped up and to relieve that situation help from Shanghai shipping interests is needed. Shipping circles are said to be mapping out a plan whereby goods may be sent to Wenchow safely.

Denying the reports published by the Chungking press in Shanghai, the "Sin Shun Pao" reports, however, that shipping between Shanghai and east Chekiang has been started by the afore-said society (believed to be affiliated with new régime or Japanese circles.) The firm has put several steamers on regular runs but it is said that passengers wishing to go to Chekiang must first register with the society.

U.S.$50 Fine Imposed For "Drunken Driving"

Mr. J. W. Lawler was fined U.S.$50 and was given a suspended sentence of six months' imprisonment in Ward Road Gaol and suspension of his driving licence for the same period by Judge Milton J. Helmick in the U.S. Court for China yesterday after admitting a charge of driving a car while drunk on May 14. Mr. N. F. Allman appeared for his defence.

K.D.S. Jubilee Celebration

The Shanghai Branch of the International Order of The King's Daughters' Society, founded by Miss Mabel Jansen in 1891, celebrated its Jubilee yesterday with a garden party held at the home of Mrs. E. F. Hardman During the afternoon Mrs. C. W. Porter, on behalf of members, presented Miss Mabel Jansen with a lorgnette on a long chain and two aeroplane suitcases, saying, "On the occasion of the fiftieth Anniversary of the foundation of the International Order of The King's Daughters Society in Shanghai, I have been given the privilege of asking you to accept these tokens of our esteem and affection. We congratulate you on attaining fifty years service and wish you health and happiness. We hope we may continue to benefit by your Christian guidance and kindly influence for many more years." Miss Milly Evans, the youngest member of the Society, gave Miss Jansen a bouquet of flowers.

Miss Mabel Jansen and her sister Ellen Jansen, were the only two ladies present, who were among the first members of the Shanghai Branch of the Society when it was started in 1891. Miss Ellen Jansen was the first President. Miss Mabel Jansen wore two decorations, one being a Golden Cross of Merit, presented to her in 1931 by Baron de Weydenthal at that time Polish Ambassador to Shanghai, in recognition of the assistance the King's Daughters' Society gave for the repatriation of Polish nationals who took refuge in Shanghai during the influx of Russian refugees some years ago, and the other, a small silver cross, the Emblem of the Society, the identical one which had belonged to the first president of Society, Mrs. Bottome, when it was inaugurated in the United States in 1886.

The gathering was most friendly and informal and the picturesque garden of Mrs. Hardman proved an ideal setting for the celebration. Among those ladies attending the Jubilee were Mesdames Arnold Jones; P. W. Bennett; J. J. Evans; E. Jensen; T. Erzinger. F. D. Hutchison; G. W. Gilbert; C. W. Porter; F. W. Weaver. A. Pollock; M. Hiery; L. Barton and H. M. Hind, and there were several representatives from the "Jansen Circle," a section of the K.D.S. which is for the younger members and is named after Miss Mabel Jansen.

Chinese Battle Among Themselves

With the authorities of the new Chinese régime now fully engaged in what is officially termed the "countryside purging" or purification movement, there is a war of quite big scale being fought among the Chinese themselves in areas under the control of Nanking. This is at least true in North China, as revealed by a report published yesterday in the "Central China Daily News," mentioning the various campaigns launched by authorities there against what they consider as "bandits."

The report further reveals that casualties have resulted in the various battles fought in Hopei, Shantung and even **Shansi**, where many groups of irregulars ranging between 100 and 400 in number have been defeated by forces taking orders from the new régime. The aim is to restore peace and order in areas inside or in the vicinity of Nanking-controlled districts.

Reports recently published in the new régime's press indicated that Nanking had held a conference on the subject of "purification" movement. It has also been hinted that in order to effect full control of the provinces under its juridiction, Nanking has to establish peace and order first.

Rice Restrictions Relaxed

The Municipal Council has given notice that as supplies on hand and obtainable are now considered ample for all local requirements, the temporary restrictions imposed on the sale of S.M.C. rice as per Notification No. 5457 are hereby cancelled.

Any resident of Shanghai shall now be free at any time to buy S.M.C. rice as required *for own consumption*. All sales of S.M.C. rice to any one party of one bag or more shall be accompanied by a bill of sale stating price, quantity and name and address of the purchaser. A copy of this bill is to be deposited by the retailer with the nearest Police Station at the latest on the day following the day of sale.

The Council invites the co-operation of the public and the retailers to avoid hoarding.

"N.C.D.N." Photo.

King's Daughters' Society Jubilee

Miss Mabel Jansen, President of the King's Daughters' Society, receiving a presentation from Mrs. C. W. Porter on behalf of members, in celebration of her fifty years of service with the Shanghai branch of this Society which she founded, with the help of her sister, in 1891.

Nanking Official Shot by Gunmen

Terrorists struck again in the International Settlement yesterday afternoon when Mr. Zau Kung-foo, a member of the Gold Bar Exchange at 429 Kiukiang Road, was shot and killed by two men. One of the assassins was arrested by the police shortly after the shooting, while the other managed to escape. The victim was immediately taken to the Lester Chinese Hospital in an S.F.B. emergency ambulance, but died soon after admission.

It was learned that the deceased, who was a resident of the French Concession, was leaving the exchange when the two men, lurking in the vicinity, opened fire at him, wounding him in the head. The shots were believed to have been shot through a motor car, which was parked near the building at that time. It could not be ascertained, however, just how many shots were fired by the assassins.

Watchman Fires

Immediately after the shooting, a Chinese police watchman of the Exchange fired two shots at the fleeing assassins, but failed to hit the mark. The shooting, however, attracted the attention of policemen on duty at the corner of Kiukiang and Shanse Road, who went after the gunman and succeeded in arresting one of them. An alarm was put through to Police Headquarters and a party from the Central station attended, but although a thorough search of the area was made, no traces of the other man could be found.

Although no concrete confirmation could be obtained either from Police Headquarters or from the detectives investigating the case, it was believed that the murder had been committed on political grounds, since it is known that the Gold Bar Exchange is now a Nanking sponsored establishment. The deceased, who was about 30 years of age, was also believed to have been connected with the Wang Ching-wei political police at 76 Jessfield. This, however, was unconfirmed.

Police officials were reticent on the affair yesterday and no details could be learned of the result of detectives' questioning of the arrested gunman. He was brought to Louza station soon after his capture, while his automatic pistol was sent to the ballistic department of the Shanghai Municipal Police.

Marine Corps Fete Cols. Howard, De Witt Peck

Officers of the U.S. Marine Corps were hosts at a reception given yesterday afternoon at the American Club in honour of Col. De Witt Peck, retiring commandant of the Fourth U.S. Marines, and his successor Col. S. L. Howard. Col. Peck who has already relinquished his command, will sail shortly for Washington, D.C., to assume new duties.

The affair was held in the mahjongg room of the club and was well attended. The American Chamber of Commerce and American Association were hosts at a stag dinner given at the same club on Monday evening, marking the change in the command of the Marine Corps here.

Laxity in Filing Annual Reports Stressed

Judgment was reserved by Judge Milton J. Helmick in the U.S. Court for China yesterday in an action brought by the U.S. Government against the Bell Lumber Company for failure to file annual reports required by the China Trade Act.

Mr. Leighton Shields, U.S. District Attorney, suggested the company was habitually lax in filing the reports which counsel thought was unfair to the stockholders and asked the court to cancel the registration certificate of the company.

Mr. Paul Kops for the defence, craved the indulgence of the court, pointing out that records and accounts of the company in 1937 during the hostilities, the company's plant suffered extensive damage. Their operations were curtailed, he said, and they were forced to retrench part of their staff, for which reason the books had not been kept up to date.

Miss A. Viola Smith, Registrar of the China Trade Act, told the court that the company had been delinquent in filing their reports and that she had exerted every effort to assist them by asking their co-operation. In 1939 they had failed to file the report and no action was instituted, although an extension of time had been granted them to do so the previous year. Their 1937 report, she added, was not filed until 1939.

No Change Reported in Labour Situation

Although an early settlement is expected in some of the labour disputes now raging in Shanghai, no change in the situation was noted yesterday, with the troubles continuing to involve several thousand workers.

A Chinese barber shop, in Hsiang Feng Loong, has been closed since May 17, it was learned yesterday. The dispute broke out after the proprietor had failed to observe the terms agreed upon last year.

Meanwhile, it is learned that messengers of Reuter's News Agency are planning to organize a union. Two other unions were inaugurated on Monday. These are the Western District Shanghai Merchants' Lien-nyi Association and the Cantonese Restaurant Employee's Union.

No change was reported at the Commercial Press where the employees had been told that the management would have to dismiss a number of them because of lack of business. Others will be given new contracts, it is reported. Some will be transferred to outports.

Official Banks to Aid Industry

The four Chinese government banks which have branches in Shanghai have now received orders from the joint head office of the banks at Chungking to enlarge the scope of their credit-granting activities among civilian industrialists. In doing so, authorities of the bank have, as their ultimate purpose, the increase of industrial production by giving financial help officially to small but enterprising business men, in addition to financing various state-controlled enterprises.

In the past, it is said, the banks have granted credits amounting to $1,600,000,000 to manufacturers who are mostly connected with state-controlled enterprises, but the new order requires them to pay equal attention to civilian industrial enterprises. The banks are to grant loans to industrialists who can produce the following goods as articles of mortgage: metals, cotton, cloth, dye-stuffs, chemical materials, silk, oil, rice, medicines, cocoons, tea, sugar, leather, tobacco etc.

The banks have, however, been warned against indiscriminately receiving mortgages in the form of commodities of everyday use for carelessness in this respect will encourage hoarding. They have been required to use great care and to give a time limit for keeping such mortgaged objects in their warehouses.

Seller of False Permits Caught

While numerous cases in which Chinese crooks have deceived passengers going to occupied districts by selling them false "permits" purporting to be issued by the Japanese have been referred to court authorities in the past, a new case in which the crook has been operating on an even greater scale has just been brought to light. By posing as an agent of the Japanese who can obtain "export certificates" easily, Tu Nan-tien is alleged to have defrauded a Hongkew merchant of nearly $3,000, but he is now behind bars.

Brought to the First Special District Court, Tu confessed to the crime, but judgment was reserved. He appeared in court a few hours after he had attempted to pull a fast one for the second time on his victim, Li Ching-chi, proprietor of the Ta Tseng Company at House No. 42, ne 182 Broadway. Recently, Tu went to Li's place proposing to obtain an export certificate for him. He was paid $2,750 with which to buy 100 cases of candles for sale in Ningpo. It was alleged that Tu had gambled away all the money in an establishment in the Western District.

Second Time Fails

Several days ago, he decided to make good his loss at the expense of Li and later he again visited the latter, making a new proposal. He said that he had bought the candles for him but introduced an additional item of $300 as a prerequisite for obtaining an export certificate from an office in the Western District. Li was then already very suspicious as it had been agreed that the first payment should settle everything. He followed Tu to the permit-issuing office. At the front door, he handed $300 over to Tu. Tu entered through the front door but slipped out from a side door trying to escape with the second payment. He ran fast but Li succeeded in catching up with him by riding in a rickshaw.

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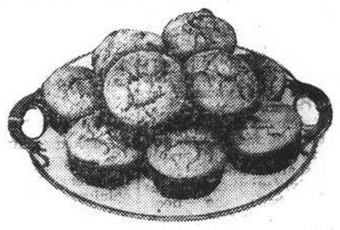

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Hess's Escape:
As an Indian Sees It

To the Editor of the
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SIR,—I am reminded most often of Hitler's own words: "I am feeling more fresh than ever now, for spring is coming." Why? Because his flatterers say that he adores Nature. As he was feeling more fresh, he made elaborate plans about the much-boasted spring offensive to dominate the whole world, and indeed did annex some more territory which, though apparently and militarily appears to be a gain, will yet prove to be a liability and not an asset in the long run.

His party admirers call him "a man more tremendous than fate," but Hitler—self-made superhuman, nevertheless a mortal being—cannot escape the old saying: "Man proposes and God disposes."

During this spring, Nature has worked her own way miraculously in the political field of Nazism. The seed of disunity among the Nazi Party sown deep and invisibly, manured by the untrustworthy and revengeful spirit of the most vulpine creature—Hitler—and watered with the blood of thousands of innocent victims of Himmler's suspicions, has sprung into being. Putting it into plain words it is the escape of Nazi No. 3 to England which has become known in every nook and corner of the world. The Nazi party may try to state that he has gone insane but it shows a definite rift in Hitler's gangster circle.

In time, as the summer advances, this small plant will shoot out into a beautiful stem and then into a big trunk with innumerable branches. On every branch there will grow clusters of shady leaves. Finally it will bloom and bear fruit. Himmler will try cruelly and pitilessly to mow down the tender stem to prevent it from growing into a powerful trunk. The heavy bird—Goering—will sit and swing on the delicate branches so as to break them. Goebbels will try to pluck the leaves and flowers. Finally, the long-beaked Hitler will do his utmost to cut the fruits before they ripen so as to prevent the reproduction and growth of more seeds. But Nature, I am confident, will have her own way. The seeds will grow thick and fast not only in Germany, but also in other parts of the Axis, and in the long run Hitler and his accomplices will come to know by personal experience that it is not the "sword" that rules after all.

On the other hand, talking of the Nazi statements about the hallucinations of Herr Hess, our duty is not to go into details about the definition, etiology, pathology, symptoms and diagnoses of the disease from which he is supposed to be suffering. The only thing we are concerned with, if one believes he is a maniac at all, is to remove the cause of irritability, so that prognosis may not be grave. That cause is without doubt Hitler himself. We should redouble our efforts to do away with this cause, lest the 80,000,000 "master race" who may yet be in the preliminary stages of mania, should all turn insane. May God forbid: if that happens they will fill all the lunatic asylums in existence.

SON OF INDIA.

Shanghai, May 20.

"Susan and God":
Reply To Surprised Reader

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—I should thank Mr. SAM for his letter appearing in your today's paper under the above heading, but I don't like his way of criticizing the Oxford Group. It is true that, after Susan's so-called "change," her behaviour was ludicrous and her conduct in persuading her friends to have faith in God was certainly ridiculous and devoid of proper technique which those in the Group are supposed to possess. Her quiet time before her breakfast without having first to sit reverently and devote some time to Bible study was inserted in the show merely to excite laughter of the audience and was certainly not the way adopted by any of the Groupers. I don't believe that the whole drama was planned by persons in the Group.

Mr. SAM's statement that he has seen a great deal of the Group, and at one time was almost of it simply reflects on his shallow knowledge of the Group's activities, the same as one standing outside the door, wondering what is going on inside. His open flouting of the Group and his remark about persons seeking the limelight, etc. bespeak him a gentleman, unwelcomed by the Group the world over.

I hope Mr. SAM will stop snapping his fingers at others and come to show us what is wrong in the movement, since he admits that the Group principles have their real contribution at this time. However, we must lay aside our pens about the subject and be sincere in our service to God and mankind, or else we may be suspected of seeking the limelight through the paper.

F. D. ZAU, M.D.

Shanghai, May 19.

Susan's Religion

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—SUNSHINE SAM certainly hit the nail on the head when he said that religion should not be a superficial thing. Susan's was superficial to begin with. Even so, she was used to break up two illicit love affairs, and, in spite of herself, to bring hope to her husband that he could be different. In the end she learned the hard lesson that a really changed life, like charity, begins at home!

SUNSHINE SUSAN.

Shanghai, May 20.

U.S. of Europe:
Need for Common Tongue

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—When the Democracies have won this war and have the next tremendously difficult task of drawing up peace terms and arranging a working plan for the unholy mess which at present comprises Europe, I think it can be taken for granted that they will essay setting up some form of United States of Europe with no tariffs, etc., no barbed wire and no armed sentries on the boundaries to precipitate incidents.

But such a United States will never work, in my opinion, as long as dozens of languages are spoken, drawing a sharp line between the different nationalities. This is one of the fundamental differences between the United States of America and the suggested United States of Europe and would always be the cause of suspicion and misunderstanding, confusion and waste of time with interpreters. So long as each country is governing itself, this, on the face of it, is not such a drawback although basically it is; nor, if the United States of Europe were to be run with only one nation in the ascendancy, occupying all key positions and all speaking a common language (as the Germans are trying to arrange things at present) would it be so difficult from the administration point of view, but that is not what the majority wants, so there would never be satisfaction that way.

If Europe is to be run somewhat on the lines of the United States, is not the first essential to find a common language? No one (except Nazis) would like to eliminate a nation's language completely with all its store of poetry, songs and nuance of expression, but, one common language is, I consider, essential for a United States. It should be made compulsory in every school in Europe and America from an early age; alongside the people's own particular culture and all business offices, municipal undertaking, etc. would use this language exclusively. The native language would be used only in private homes.

I have never heard why the various attempts at establishing a common language have so far failed—perhaps because the need was never so great,—but I think that now is the time to reopen the matter without waiting for the signing of peace, as the sooner the accessible schools commence teaching it, the better.

This might be an interesting line for the newly-formed Allies' Association to follow up.

J. M. C.

Shanghai, May 19.

The French Park:
Views of a Chinese

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—Being a frequent visitor to the French Park, I want to give some opinions, which I hope will invite the attention of the authorities of the mentioned park.

Owing to the overflowing population in the Concession, I hope they can widen the park if possible. As I think, there is a large ground just next to the park which fully answers the need, but the park in the eyes of the authorities is too big, otherwise they would not fence so many places, as well as rent huts to the bars and studios.

So far as I know, the revenue of the park is quite considerable, but the season ticket has jumped to $5 this year, and the temporary tickets raised to twenty cents, and the Zoo is only free to those with season tickets.

It is quite strange to say that one is not allowed to take exercise after nine o'clock in the morning, and I still hope that the Russian watchmen will better their behaviour to Chinese. One can hardly find a chair on those sunny days; it would be quite difficult if one were thirsty, as there is no such installation there.

Summer is near at hand, most Chinese cannot stay in their "box-like" homes, and the park is the best place they can go, so I sincerely hope for the benefit of the public health, the authorities of the French Park will better their conditions as much as possible.

HAROLD NING SUNG-KONG.

Shanghai, May 19.

Vitamin Lack:
Easily Remedied

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—We are told that the diet of the majority of people is very deficient in Vitamin B, one main source of which is whole wheat bread—white bread being totally deficient in this vitamin. Deficiency in Vitamin B causes digestive and nervous complaints, troubles too common in Shanghai, and ranking in this respect with headaches in these peaceful times.

To make white flour from wheat grain involves one extra milling process over that required to make whole wheat flour, for the express purpose of removing the bran which contains the whole of the vitamin. This extra process must cost money, and the discarded bran has only a negligible market value. Perhaps some authority will explain why it is that whole wheat bread, instead of being cheaper than white bread, is actually very considerably more expensive.

It is possible to give an even greater vitamin content to white bread than is contained in whole wheat bread by adding Vitamin B, for those who prefer white bread, and this roundabout method is now being extensively used in Britain and in the States. Has any baker in Shanghai been so enterprising as to introduce such high quality bread here, and at a non-bloated price?

We read a great deal in advertisements of the undoubted virtues of vitamin-added margarine; the point is not stressed that many other common and cheap articles of diet can supply the vitamin so added, but the sources of Vitamin B, forming common articles of diet are very few, and this explains the opening statement of this letter. For the local plutocracy I note that there are now many preparations on sale for expensively making up this easily remedied deficiency.

LITTLE WILLIE.

Shanghai, May 19.

Streets of Shanghai:
The Chinese of it

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—In reply to SHANGHAILANDER re streets of Shanghai I would like to point out the following:—

"Ka" (街) is the common use of the word street romanization in the Shanghai dialect, and is used more with reference to a narrow street such as Ji Bae Ka (梶谿街) at the intersection of Honan Road and Avenue Edward VII. (now widened to such an extent that the name doesn't cover the size of the road as it is today.)

The word "lu" or "loo" (路), as you say, means road, and is applied to both the Mandarin and Shanghai dialects, and is one of the first things learnt when I took up the study of Mandarin, and later on in life that of the Shanghai Dialect.

Kiai or Chieh (街) also means street, but is the Mandarin pronunciation for this word, yet the Shanghai or local man reading the same character would pronounce it as "Ka".

By the above you will then see that the S.M.C. is quite correct in the use of the word Ka, and you must be wrong in saying it is "the S.M.C. method of Romanizing the Chinese word Chieh."

Incidentally there are only a few small streets of Shanghai using the word Ka (街) and one of them as stated above.

MAYBE I'M WRONG.

Shanghai, May 20.

School Fees:
A Comparison

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—A recent announcement in your esteemed paper has informed the public that the S.M.C. schooling fees will be increased again. A comparison of the 1937 figures with the new figures for four categories of pupils, viz. A 1, A 2, B and C, gives the following picture of the monthly fees:

	1937	1941 increased fees
Category A1	$28.75	$120.70
" A2	23.00	92.00
" B	18.00	72.00
" C	15.00	60.00

I wonder what the parents have got to say to this.

There lies a deep comfort in the thought that Shanghai still has its Orchestra with $400,000 being fiddled away—and who knows, it might cost $800,000 or a million next year.

JUNIUS SECUNDUS.

Shanghai, May 20.

Spain and Holy See

Madrid, May 20.

Spain has practically concluded an agreement with the Holy See, it was officially announced here yesterday.—Reuter.

BY SAPAJOU

Just Take It Easy !

House Approves Bill to Build Ships

Washington, May 20.

The House of Representatives yesterday passed and sent to the Senate a bill permitting the Navy to buy or build 58 auxiliary vessels totalling 55,000 tons and authorized expenditures of U.S.$300,000,000 for the work.—United Press.

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6.15 News in Chinese (Shanghai dialect).
6.30 Chinese music.
6.35 News in Chinese (Mandarin).
6.50 Light music.
7.20 Music by Russian composers.
7.30 News in Russian.
7.45 Music by Russian composers.
7.50 Light music.
8.00 Causerie by Mme Claude Rivière: Personal reminiscences of Father Casseigne, the Apostle of the Lepers who has been appointed Bishop of Saigon. A visit to the Dijring leprosarium in 1937.
8.15 Light music.
8.30 News in French.
8.45 Light music.
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1.30 Peter Adam's German Programme
2.00 Czechoslovak News and Commentary
2.30 Dance Music
3.30 Woman and Home, including a Short Story at 3.50
4.30 Chinese Programme
5.00 "The Foundations of Chinese Music," by Prof. Wei Chung-loh
7.00 Czechoslovak Programme
7.30 News in French
7.45 Light Music
8.00 Relay of B.B.C. News and Talk (Conditions Permitting)
8.30 "Music a la Carte"—Request Programme conducted by Kenneth Mackenzie. Tel 16967
9.00 News in English followed by B.B.C. Programme and Local Announcements
9.20 "As I See It." Talk by John Harford
9.30 "The Shanghai Forum"—Discussion without Malice—conducted by Frank Barry
10.00 "All Aboard"—a programme of sea-shanties
10.30 Dance Music
11.00 Late Night Final
11.10 Peter Adam's German Programme
11.40 Moviegoers' News Summary
11.50-12.00 News in Chinese

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Singapore, May 20.

Dr. K. C. Cheng, of the Chungking Foreign Ministry, accompanying the Chinese military mission to Malaya, yesterday broadcast a farewell message before his return to Chungking.

"After a fortnight's most pleasant and happy visit," Dr. Cheng said. "I beg to tender my sincere thanks on behalf of the Chinese mission to Malayan authorities for the honour accorded the mission.

"Similarly to Burma and India, we have covered plenty of ground in Malaya, visiting many centres of military importance. . . . We are happy to return to Chungking with the knowledge of the immense strength and military preparedness of this country, and also with the knowledge we have a good, strong friend in this part of the world.

"While wishing the British success on the battlefield, we look forward to the eventual triumph of those principles of peace and civilization for which China and Britain are fighting today."—United Press.

U.S. May Negotiate for French Bases

Washington, May 20.

Representative Francis H. Case, Republican of South Dakota, yesterday introduced a bill authorizing Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, to negotiate for acquisition of French possessions in the Western Hemisphere.

The bill also would authorize negotiation for such ships, airplanes and cargoes as France desired to sell. Costs would be provided for from the U.S.$2,000,000,000 stabilization bill.—United Press.

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17 SOUTHLIGHT Grey 13-0, E/41, "Y" Class Sub-griffin 1941, started.
18 COMPASSLIGHT Chestnut 13-0, E/179 "Y" Class Sub-griffin 1941, started.
19 NATIONAL COMMANDER Grey 12-2, E/193, "X" Class griffin, Has been placed, Owner reducing stable.
20 NATIONAL PATRIOT Chestnut 12-3, E/34, "X" Class griffin. Has been placed, Owner reducing stable.
21 NATIONAL CITY Bay 13-1, A/3, "Y" Class, winner and placed. Owner reducing stable.
22 NATIONAL FLOWER Grey 13-1, A/307, "Y" Class, quiet to ride. Owner reducing stable.
23 SWEET SIXTEEN Bay 12-3, E/16, "Y" Class griffin 1941, started.
24 BUFFALO Grey 13-0, A/74, "Y" Class, winner and placed many times.
25 MERRY GUARDSMAN Grey 13-0, E/93, "Y" Class griffin, started.
26 PAVLUSHKA Grey 12-3, E/69, "Y" Class Sub-griffin 1941. Placed once.
27 A LOVELY TIME Chestnut Australian Mare 15-0, winner of one race and placed several times.
28 RAINBOW late The Pawky Duke Dun 13-1, J/93, S.R.C. 1937 Sub-griffin. Started.
29 MASCOT Dun 12-0, E/171, "X" Class Sub-griffin 1941, started.
30 NIGHTMARE Black 13-2, E/18, "Y" Class Sub-griffin 1941, started.
31 BORSTAL Skewbald 12-2, E/163 5 years old, "X" Class griffin, started. Owner going Home.
32 BASTON Bay 12-1, E/194, "X" Class griffin, started.
33 GREY GRIFFIN E/133, 13-0, 6 years old, "Y" Class
34 BAY GRIFFIN E/176, 12-2, 6 years old, "X" Class.
35 SATURN Black 13-2, A/177 "Y" Class, sound.
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In March, government revenue ammounted to almost Glds. 59,000,000, as against Glds. 48,000,000 in the same month of last year. Of this increase of Glds. 11,000,000, the taxpayers get the credit for Glds. 8,500,000 and the remainder may be ascribed to the improved conditions of N.E.I. products and government industries.

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130,301,125	Assets	135,686,105
48,604,501	New Business	49,390,099
2,650,892	Surplus earned	2,554,991
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JAPAN'S DANGER

The questions which were asked last week in the House of Commons relative to the situation in the Far East clearly show that, though the war must naturally be the main preoccupation of the British legislature, attention is paid to all other matters involving British interests. These latter are closely involved in the attitude of the Japanese towards the war, which unfortunately has not yet undergone any modification. Mr. Matsuoka apparently secured nothing from his trip to Europe save the neutrality agreement with Russia, which in itself seems a trifle insecure in view of the reports that Germany contemplates giving Russia a free hand in the Far East, which may mean a betrayal of the Japanese. Those extremists who have been controlling the policies of the Japanese Government for some time past have not yet been brought to a realization of the fact that it will be foolish for Japan to turn her back upon Great Britain and the United States in the belief that Germany will win this war. Nothing is at the present moment more unlikely, but it needs to be pointed out that, even if Germany were to win, there is nothing to show that Japan would be given that freedom of action in Asia which she so badly desires, and the probability of Japan then being turned into merely another German dupe would be strong indeed.

Business men and moderates in Japan have not lost sight of the fact that their country is to a very large extent indeed economically dependent upon both Great Britain and the United States, and if as a result of Japanese policies the markets of the British Empire and the United States were lost to them there would be no other countries to which they could turn. Take for example the silk trade. One-third of the agrarian population of Japan depends upon it. The principal market is provided by the United States with the British Empire playing a secondary role. If those markets were to be lost the economic effect upon the Japanese would be severe indeed. That can readily be understood when the hardships caused in Japan by the big drop in silk prices which occurred in 1931 and 1932 are recalled.

It is not only in silk and other textiles that Japan would be hard hit by the closure of the British and American markets to her, which would become inevitable, if Japan translated her present affection for Germany into more overt action. There are such things as the non-ferrous metals which Japan would be unable to obtain elsewhere than from the two countries with whom it is necessary in her own best interests she should remain on friendly terms. It will be seen, therefore, that the two great democracies are equipped with economic weapons the virtue of which is fully appreciated by Japanese moderates and business circles, but which the military extremists still obstinately overlook. Deprived of her two best markets which would be inevitable should the present unhappy situation deteriorate still further, unable to do much except carry on a minute trade with Europe by means of the trans-Siberian railway,—for that would be the position should Japan intervene actively in this war on the side of Germany—the industrial and economic life of Japan would speedily be brought to a standstill. The only exception to that statement is of course China, but it is quite apparent that Japan could not hope to recoup from this country what she would lose elsewhere.

It would be possible to deal at greater length with this aspect of Japanese relations with the two great Powers, but the facts are so obvious that to expand the argument further is quite unnecessary. Mr. Matsuoka returned from Berlin and Rome empty-handed because neither Germany nor Italy had anything to give. There are indications that Germany may sooner or later play Russia against Japan. There is absolutely no guarantee that Japan would receive any benefits from a German victory, but rather the contrary. The rich natural resources in the Pacific belonging to the Allies are just as necessary for an industrial Germany as they are for Japan, and it is in that very patent clash of interests that the great danger of Japan more actively taking sides with the Axis is to be found. It is her danger, and hers alone for her Government has no reason to believe that Hitler would behave more honourably to them than he has to other nations which he has so successfully duped.

ITALIAN COLLAPSE

The surrender of the Duc d'Aosta, Italian commander-in-chief in Abyssinia, together with the main remnants of the Italian forces, leaves only a few scattered units still to be dealt with. The Italian empire has become a thing of the past, and the first ruler dispossessed by brute force has been restored to his throne. Ethiopian troops under the command of British officers, who for months before the invasion of Abyssinia had been training them, will doubtless be sufficient to round up the Italians still at large, while the greater portion of the British forces will now be freed for duty elsewhere. There is not the slightest doubt that the Italians fought sternly and in their defeat there can be no question as to their military honour which remains intact. The issue of the Abyssinian campaign was never at any time uncertain. Despite the fact that the Italians had accumulated large forces and supplies in north-east Africa, and were able for a short while to occupy British Somaliland, when the time came for the British to strike they did so swiftly, and with the knowledge that the Italians could only hope to resist just as long as their war material held out, for cut off from the home bases those troops could expect neither reinforcements nor additional supplies.

In ten weeks since General Cunningham crossed the southern frontier of Abyssinia the troops under him have travelled 1,500 miles meeting with fierce resistance from natural positions which gave the Italians very considerable advantage. British superiority in the air in those areas and the destruction of the Italian air force rendered the task of the British soldiers easier than in other theatres of war, and the reduction of the Italian defence in rather less than three months is a tribute not only to the striking force of the British armies, but to the organizing ability of the command. There Italy has been irretrievably defeated with no Hitler to come to her assistance. To a very large extent the responsibility for the Italian defeat rests with Mussolini himself. He had ample time during the months of non-belligerency in which to strengthen his forces throughout the empire of which he boasted so frequently. He failed to take advantage of that fact, and though the British had to improvise hurriedly and against time, they succeeded in doing so with painful results for at least one partner in the Axis.

It now seems that the Abyssinian campaign could not have been timed better. All major fighting has now been brought to an end before the really heavy seasonal rains commence in June. It is true that in recent weeks fighting has been going on under rain, but the downfall which would have held up operations until the autumn has not yet occurred, and, in bringing about the reduction of the Italian forces in Abyssinia at the time he has, General Cunningham has succeeded in releasing his forces for operations in other theatres of war, where their presence may have a most significant effect. While the British troops in Abyssinia were at no time very large their numbers are, nevertheless, not inconsiderable, and their transfer to Libya or Iraq, wherever they may be needed, may prove decisive in one or other of those theatres of war.

Reuter's diplomatic correspondent remarks concerning Libya that the German-Italian tide has about reached high-water at Sollum and has failed to make any further inroads at Tobruk. He may be somewhat optimistic in claiming that the tide has turned, though there is no doubt that the enemy advance has been held up, the British have succeeded in recapturing some of the positions which have been lost, and the advent of troops from Abyssinia may eventually prove the decisive factor which will restore original British gains in Libya. That may not occur for some time, for conditions there are now operating against any energetic prosecution of the war, and it may be that General Wavell will decide to await the autumn before he makes any real onslaught upon the German-Italian positions. Be that as it may the practical termination of serious fighting in Abyssinia affords an opportunity of effecting substantial reorganization during the coming months.

More Slaves

If nothing else that has occurred in other countries which have been overrun by the Nazis could have been cited as proof of the German plan to make citizens of so-called inferior races slaves of the Herrenvolk, what has just happened in Croatia would be quite enough. Though the Croats contributed by their defection to the swift defeat of Yugoslavia and might, therefore, have been considered entitled to a certain amount of gratitude from the Axis, the first important news which comes out of the part of Croatia which is under German control is that fifty thousand Croats are to be transported to Germany for work there. Apparently they are to be given no choice in the matter, and whatever industries they formerly supplied in Croatia will have to get along as best they can without them. Or, as is more likely, the Nazis plan to allow the Croatian industries to die out in accordance with their scheme to make greater Germany the centre of all important industrial production in Europe, and the surrounding countries mere suppliers of labour and agricultural necessaries for the Reich. Thus the punishment of trust in the Nazis has already fallen upon the Croats; the slave system has been applied with even less disguise and less preliminary sapping of resources that the world has become accustomed to see when this condition has arisen in other countries. It is improbable that the Nazis will stop with the Croats. There are other overrun nations in the Balkans which can conveniently supply labour for them. There is Bulgaria, for example. There is a possibility that action to enslave Bulgarian workers will not be immediate, since it is reported that the Nazis are anxious to withdraw many of the occupational troops from Greece and Yugoslavia for use elsewhere, and that pressure has been brought on the Bulgarian Government to provide soldiers to take their place. There can be little doubt, however, that even if the Bulgarians are persuaded to take over the unenviable task of holding down the populations of two hostile countries, with whom they had no quarrel except that which was invented for them by Berlin, the Nazis will continue the economic exploitation they have already begun. The Bulgarians will have to do the dirty work, and will get nothing out of it except the crumbs which Hitler allows to fall from his table. The arrogance of this kind of thing is amazing, but it is even less amazing than the frame of mind which must posses the Nazis and which allows them to believe that they can treat their Axis subordinates and the peoples they have conquered in such a fashion without stirring up an immeasurable hatred. Axis propagandists have been busy painting their "new order" in glowing colours. Some people may have been deceived by the picture. If so, they will be very quickly disillusioned when they experience the "new order" in practice and realize that it means for them a role of permanent peonage. There is something to be said for the idea of Europe working together under one system for the mutual prosperity of all. But there is absolutely nothing to be said for the idea of Europe working together under one system for the prosperity of only one—a "master race," which looks on history with the eyes of distortion, and which dreams of a one-nation millenium which would be a nightmare to the rest of the world.

STRAY NOTES

May 17.—I am often asked the question, "do you really think that birds are clever, or do we merely impute some form of cleverness to their actions because we do not understand them?" I find this a most difficult question to answer, particularly in any short form. I would say, for example, that a bird's mentality (from the human standpoint) might be taken as that of a child of six or seven, BUT....then all the thoughts and explanations which follow that big word "but" become so diverse and complicated that they would require a whole book rather than a short paragraph. A very common action to be observed among many breeding birds, and particularly our local Bulbuls, is the playing of a kind of "King of the Castle" game: one Bulbul flies into my apple tree, raises his wings with feathers all outspread and yells, *"Chi-oo-chi-oo-chi-oo"*: whereupon another Bulbul from the other side of the garden flies into the tree, perches beside the first bird, and yells *"Chi-oo-chi-oo, etc."* in precisely the same manner: wings are waved until one bird loses his nerve and flies away....so the other bird pretends to give chase for a moment, then, returning to the perch, jumps into the air shouting his battlecry for all the world like a small boy screaming, "I'm King of the Castle." That's childish from the human standpoint, *but*, it may be a very important matter in the life of a bird. Another example may be helpful. I watched an Oriole the other day going through all the motions of ingratiating himself with his ladylove: he began to feed her.....but, not finding any food handy, he just fed her with nothing, and she seemed equally pleased: perhaps the birds find pleasure in this form of "billing" (some birds habitually cross bills as a greeting)—or perhaps it was merely an example of bird mentality insisting on an habitual action, however inappropriate. As one observer has said, "If you had the mind of a bird you would probably recite 'The Boy stood on the Burning Deck' at a smoking concert—but you would be equally likely to do so in the middle of an air-raid or an earthquake."—E.S.W.

I Fly Bombers to Britain

Our first bomber flight across the Atlantic had few of the trappings of an historic event. As it had snowed earlier that day, we spent part of the morning clearing ice and snow off our planes while plows swept the great macadam surface of the main runway clean. Ground crews scurried round the planes, checked the two 1,200-h.p. engines and filled the two extra fuel tanks that each plane carried, writes an American pilot in "Life."

Then R. A. F. Capt. Donald C. T. Bennett, in command of our flight in plane No. 1, called us together. He handed each pilot the latest weather reports. A flight plan and route were discussed and agreed upon. For purposes of identifying ourselves as British to each other, to other planes or to ships, each crew was handed a Véry pistol with a combination of variously coloured flares to be changed at hourly intervals. Each plane likewise received its secret code number, which also changed hourly. As a result it is almost impossible for a German plane, ship or radio station to pass itself off as British by code or flare. In a last word Bennett cautioned us against flying over ships or towns lest we be fired on by mistake. Then, with a crisp "Thumbs Up! Good Luck," he ordered us to our planes.

Comic relief was afforded by the sight of the pilots coming out to enplane. Our wool-lined leather flying suits had not yet arrived, and so each man dressed according to his own sartorial tastes. Some of the men wore business suits, others tweed sport jackets. One Australian wore a beaver hat and many men wore ski parkas. We looked as through we were heading for a costume ball instead of a transatlantic hop.

Bennett flashed his signal light and took off. At minute intervals the rest of us followed. At a pre-arranged height we levelled off, flying in a wide echelon formation. It was a relief to be off at last across the Big Pond I had been wanting to fly for years. "George"—the automatic Sperry gyropilot—flies us, but we were kept busy watching Bennett's tail lights, checking and logging 26 instruments every half hour, keeping radio and navigation logs in minute detail. A constant worry is checking to make certain that the remaining gasoline in our six tanks is equally distributed to help balance the plane.

About midway across we caught a "midnight snack" of tomato soup, coffee and chocolate bars. Occasionally we rested on a cot. Contrary to some fanciful accounts that have appeared, we do not fly in the stratosphere. At high altitudes we inhaled oxygen through rubber tubes in our mouths. The taste of the rubber was sickening and on the first trip I vomited three times. Now we use Mayo oxygen masks. Five hours out, we ran into heavy clouds and everyone lost track of Bennett. It was every plane for itself the rest of the way, and our plane crossed the ocean first. Although we made bad time after land was sighted, we set an over-water transatlantic record of 8 hr. and 57 min.

Huge Base in Newfoundland

The base at Newfoundland is an airman's paradise. It is the world's greatest but least publicized airport, built within the last three years with an eye to its future use as a great peacetime transatlantic terminus. La Guardia Field would fit snugly into one corner of it. Five runways, each 5,000 ft. long and 1,200 ft. wide, spreadeagle the field in ten different directions. Guard lights flash along the runway borders and to help the pilot judge his distances the lights change colour from amber to green every 1,000 ft. The Shell Oil Co. has done a remarkable job transporting and stocking great stores of the world's finest aviation gasoline at this distant outpost. We take off on 100 octane gasoline and cruise on 90 octane.

The most respected man in the outfit is 33-year-old, Australian-born Captain Bennett. He holds the world's long distance record for seaplanes—6,000 miles from Scotland to South Africa. He is a licensed pilot, navigator, engineer, radio operator and the author of some of the best aviation textbooks ever written. I have never known a better all-round flier. For the rest of us, flying the Atlantic is a new experience. An American overland commercial pilot flies on radio beams and is not required to know how to navigate by the sun and stars. But over the Atlantic, flying big ships at night over a northern route never before risked in winter, we fly entirely by dead reckoning or celestial navigation. There are no radio beams to guide us and we are only allowed to get bearings by radio as we near land.

To improve our skill, we attend classes in celestial navigation and the use of a sextant and practice blind flying in Link trainers between trips in Canada. It is not uncommon to see five or six of us on the roofs of Montreal hotels shooting the stars at night for practice. An American flier, with 500 hours to his credit, can learn more in a few months of transatlantic flying than in years of flying in the U. S. where celestial navigation is not required. I have come to know Polaris, Arcturus, Pollux and Sirius intimately. One star that I shall always gaze at with reverence is Betelgeuse, which we affectionately call "Beetle Juice."

Our Lockheeds are fitted with every imaginable safety device, including flotation gear. By pressing a button, a door in the cabin pops off and an inflated four-man rubber dinghy, with paddles, falls to the floor. Fortunately we have so far had no need to press this button, for no pilot spanning the Big Pond has yet had an accident over the ocean or had a brush with a German.

IN PARENTHESIS

Thoughtful Wife

HUSBAND: "The bank has returned that cheque."

Wife: "Isn't that fine! Now it's your turn to buy something with it."

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Is It Possible?

YOUNG Mother: "Mary, what is the most difficult thing for a young mother to learn?"

Mary (the governess): "That other people have perfect children, too."

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Specific

THE lorry-driver was unfortunate enough to run his vehicle into a house where a woman stood ironing. Nonplussed, he did not know what to say, and blurted out:

"Can you tell me the way to Wigan?"

"Yes," replied the woman. "Straight past the piano."

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What Lucepaper D'ya Read?

WITH Carol at the wheel of his Chrysler, they had gone for their daily drive with a Spanish police car watching them. When they reached the highway to Portugal...."Life."

....and with Carol at the wheel stepped into his Mercedes "for a drive."—"Time."

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Position Wanted

PROMINENT Japanese having many clippings concerning activities, communications from outstanding figures, including British Kings, U. S. Presidents, seeks situation with future.—Adv. in the "Herald Tribune."

No future in this country, kid. Ask Matsuoka says the "New Yorker."

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Hollywood Deal

IT was reported some months ago that Norman Krasna sold a script to RKO for the measly pittance of 75 grand—and that, before exiting from the office after clinching the deal, Norman casually suggested that he had another idea which he would sell to RKO in synopsis form for $15,000. The pact was closed on the spot. What wasn't revealed, however, was the fact that the two pages of copy, which were peddled to the studio at $7,500 a leaf, were something which had been rejected in their identical form by the "New Yorker" several years ago. We think there's a good story in this for the "New Yorker's" Talk of the Town Department, and suggest that it be captioned "Neatest Trick of the Week."

—From the "Hollywood Reporter."

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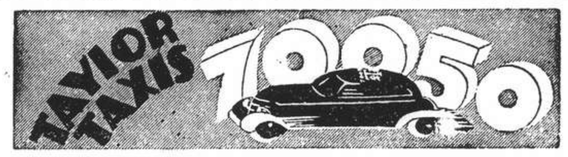

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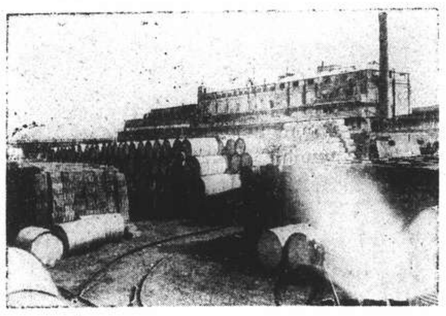

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THE SPORTS PAGE

Cubs Hand Dodgers Worst Defeat of Season

New York, May 19.

THE idle St. Louis Cardinals moved up into first place in the senior circuit today when the Chicago Cubs inflicted a decisive defeat on the Brooklyn Dodgers.

The Dodgers' tasted their worst defeat of the season as the Cubs collected 14 runs while holding the Brooklyn nine to a lone score. It was Brooklyn's second straight loss to the Cubs.

Manager Jimmy Wilson's outfit pleased Chicago fans by blasting out nine runs in the second inning and then following through with one more run in the third and two in the fourth and sixth.

Claude Passeau handled the mound duty for the winners and limited the Brooklyn sluggers to four safe blows. Passeau had his foes under control in every inning but the sixth when he yielded one run. Hugh Casey, Dodger hurler who led the league with five wins and no losses when pitching statistics were announced yesterday was the victim of the Cub's batting spree. Casey was chased to the showers in the second inning with his perfect Huing Record ruined.

Pirates Smash Giants' Streak

The Pittsburgh Pirates halted the five game winning streak of the New York Giants by taking a 2 to 1 pitchers' duel. Albert Butcher allowed only four hits to best the veteran Carl Hubbell. In turn Hubbell yielded six blows and was given better support than the Pittsburgh hurler.

The Pirates broke into the scoring column in the first half of the second and the Giants promptly came back to knot the score. The winning run was pushed over by the Pirates in the six.

Box Scores

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	R.	H	E.
Cleveland	4	9	1
Philadelphia	5	12	3
Batteries: Milnar, Brown and Hemsley; McCrabb and Hayes.			
St. Louis	5	8	0
New York	1	4	2
Batteries: Galehouse and Ferrele; Russo, Peek, Stanceu and Dickey.			
Detroit	4	10	0
Boston	2	4	2
Batteries: Gorsica and Tebbetts; Dobson, Harris, Judd and Peacock.			
Chicago	8	9	2
Washington	2	10	1
Batteries: Smith and Tresh; Kennedy, Masterson and Evans.			

NATIONAL LEAGUE

New York	1	4	0
Pittsburgh	2	6	1
Batteries: Hubbell and Danning; Butcher and Lopez			
Brooklyn	1	4	2
Chicago	14	14	2
Batteries: Casey, Brown, Hamlin, Tamulis, Owen and Phelps; Passeau, McCullough and George.			
Boston	3	9	4
Cincinnati	7	14	3
Batteries: Salvo, Lamanna, Berres and Gremp; Vander Meer, Beggs and Lombardi.			

Standings

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	W.	L.	Pct.
Cleveland	23	1	.676
Chicago	17	11	.607
Detroit	16	14	[illegible]
New York	16	17	.485
Boston	13	14	.481
Washington	14	18	.438
Philadelphia	12	18	.400
St. Louis	10	18	.357

NATIONAL LEAGUE

St. Louis	20	8	.714
Brooklyn	22	9	.710
New York	16	12	.571
Chicago	12	15	.462
Boston	12	17	.414
Cincinnati	12	7	.414
Pittsburgh	10	15	.400
Philadelphia	6	20	.318

—United Press.

Full Lawn Bowls Leagues Schedule

Lawn bowl players will swing into action within the next few days and will be in the thick of things by the end of this month as both the first and second divisions of the league series is scheduled to open on May 31. There will be eighteen teams participating in the contest and this figure shows an increase of one team over last year, which naturally augurs well for the future of lawn bowls, a sport which is gaining rapid favour among local sportsmen.

The addition to the numerical strength is the second team of the Hongkew Golf Club who have entered a junior rink in order to give some of their more promising participants an opportunity to improve their game. The Shanghai Lawn Bowls Club and the Clube Lusitano will again be strongly represented with each having two aggregations in the first division and one in the second.

The teams competing this year comprise:—

FIRST DIVISION

Shanghai Lawn Bowls Club "Red"; Shanghai Lawn Bowls Club "Blue"; Shanghai Junior Golf Club; Police Recreation Club; Hongkew Golf Club; Shanghai Recreation Club; Clube Lusitano "Red"; Clube Lusitano "Green"; Yangtzepoo Bowling Club.

SECOND DIVISION

Shanghai Junior Golf Club; Shanghai Lawn Bowls Club; Clube Lusitano Police Recreation Club; Yangtzepoo Bowling Club: Hongkew Golf Club, Country Club; Shanghai Recreation Club; Earbarians Bowling Club.

MAY 31

1ST DIVISION	2ND DIVISION
LBC Red v. SJGC	SJGC v. SLBC
PRC v. CL Red	CL v. PRC
HGC v. YBC	YBC v. HGC
SRC v. LBC Blue	CC v. SRC

JUNE 8

CL Red v. LBC Red	LBC v. CL
YBC v. PRC	PRC v. YBC
LBC Blue v. HGC	HGC v. CC
CL Green v. SRC	SRC v. BBC

JUNE 14

LBC Red v. YBC	YBC v. LBC
PRC v. LBC Blue	CC v. PRC
HGC v. CL Green	BBC v. HGC
SJGC v. CL Red	CL v. SJGC

JUNE 15

1st Round Pairs Championship

JUNE 21

1st Round Rinks Championship

JUNE 22

LBC Blue v. LBC R	LBC v. CC
CL Green v. PRC	PRC v. BBC
SRC v. HGC	HGC v. SRC
YBC v. SJGC	SJGC v. YBC

JUNE 28

LBC Red v. CL G.	BBC v. LBC
PRC v. SRC	SRC v. PRC
SJGC v. LBC Blue	CC v. SJGC
CL Red v. YBC	YBC v. CL

JUNE 29

2nd Round Pairs Championship

JULY 5

2nd Round Rinks Championship

JULY 6

SRC v. LBC Red	LBC v. SRC
SJGC v. PRC	PRC v. HGC
CL Green v. SJGC	SJGC v. BBC
LBC Blue v. CL R.	CL v. CC

JULY 12

LBC Red v. HGC	HGC v. LBC
SJGC v. SRC	SRC v. SJGC
CL Red v. CL G	BBC v. CL
YBC v. LBC Blue	CC v. YBC

JULY 13

3rd Round Pairs Championship

JULY 19

Mercury Cup Competition

JULY 20

Mercury Cup Competition

JULY 26

Mercury Cup Competition

JULY 27

PRC v. LBC Red	LBC v. PRC
HGC v. SJGC	SJGC v. HGC
SRC v. CL Red	CL v. SRC
CL Green v. YBC	YBC v. BBC

AUGUST 2

SJGC v. PRC	PRC v. SJGC
CL Red v. HGC	HGC v. CL
YBC v. SRC	SRC v. YBC
LBC Blue v. CL G.	BBC v. CC

AUGUST 3

3rd Round Rinks Championship

AUGUST 9

SJGC v. LBC Red	LBC v. SJGC
CL Red v. PRC	PRC v. CL
YBC v. HGC	HGC v. YBC
LBC Blue v. SRC	SRC v. CC

AUGUST 10

4th Round Paris Championship

AUGUST 16

Rinks Championship (Semi-Final)

AUGUST 17

LBC Red v. CL Red	CL v. LBC
PRC v. YBC	YBC v. PRC
HGC v. LBC Blue	CC v. HGC
SRC v. CL Green	BBC v. SRC

AUGUST 23

YBC v. LBC Red	LBC v. YBC
LBC Blue v. PRC	PRC v. CC
CL Green v. HGC	HGC v. BBC
CL Red v. SJGC	SJGC v. CL

AUGUST 24

Pairs Championship (Semi-Finals)

AUGUST 30

Reserved for Finals

AUGUST 31

LBC Red v. LBC B.	CC v. LBC
PRC v. CL Green	BBC v. PRC
HGC v. SRC	SRC v. HGC
SJGC v. YBC	YBC v. SJGC

SEPTEMBER 6

CL G. v. LBC Red	LBC v. BBC
SRC v. PRC	PRC v. SRC
LBC Blue v. SJGC	SJGC v. CC
YBC v. CL Red	SRC v. YBC

SEPTEMBER 13

LBC Red v. SRC	SRC v. LBC
PRC v. HGC	HGC v. PRC
SJGC v. CL Green	BBC v. SJGC
CL Red v. LBC B.	CC v. CL

SEPTEMBER 21

HGC v. LBC Red	LBC v. HGC
SRC v. SJGC	SJGC v. SRC
CL Green v. CL R.	CL v. BBC
LBC Blue v. YBC	YBC v. CC

SEPTEMBER 27

LBC Red v. PRC	PRC v. LBC
SJGC v. HGC	HGC v. SJGC
CL Red v. SRC	SRC v. CL
YBC v. CL Green	BBC v. YBC

OCTOBER 4

PRC v. SJGC	SJGC v. PRC
HGC v. CL Red	CL v. HGC
SRC v. YBC	YBC v. SRC
CL G. v. LBC B.	CC v. BBC

OCTOBER 5

Portuguese National Holiday

OCTOBER 6

Mid Autumn Festival

OCTOBER 11

Closing Day (Massed Game)

Gymkhana Heats to Be Run Off Today

Competitors in the Jumping competitions in the Empire Day mounted Gymkhana are reminded that the eliminating heats will be held by kind permission of the Committee of the Club Hippique on their ground this afternoon commencing at 4 p.m.

The Gymkhana Committee are allowing late comers an opportunity to qualify as soon as they arrive so it is hoped that all competitors will take part.

The following are the list of entries for those events which take place today:—

Open Jumping "Y" Class:—Messrs. E. Mandelert on Pelikan; A. Laidlaw on Le Gordito; Duncan Fraser on Slipus; A. V. Striker on Petrushka; R. E. Nash on Ideal King; H. Maitland on Corona; I. H. Howell on Socrates; I. E. House on Country Life; S. Stucken on Refinement; E. Kermode on Port Bradda; C. N. Abbott on Bobby; M. Benavitch on Telegram; J. L. Kay on Tar Heel; J. Johnston-Hoerter on Black Magic; R. C. Phillips on Roanoke; E. Gram on Houdini; H. Maitland on Fairy Whipp O'Will; Misses Y. Pollock on Safety First; B. von Schubert on Marble Morn; Mrs. E. Andrews on Idiot's Delight; J. B. Woolley on Refinement; B. Liddell on Bromilow.

Open Jumping "Z" Class:—Messrs. N. F. Allman on Bull Run; E. Mandelert on Chicki; I. Kinloch on Little Cossack; H. Maitland on Aeolus; C. N. Abbott on Penny; H. D. Rodger on Knock Knock; Misses Y. Pollock on Aeolus; B. von Schubert on Aragon; Mrs. C. N. Abbott on Pan; J. B. Woolley on Yolitchka; B. Liddell on Ginger.

Mixed Pair Jumping:—Mr. and Mrs. S. Stucken on Refinement and Pageant Morn; Mr. C. L. Abbott and Mrs. E. Andrews on Bobby and Idiot's Delight; Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Abbott on Pan and Penny; Mr. E. Mandelert and Miss F. Arquello on Chicki and Ali Bey; Mr. N. F. Allman and Miss Y. Pollock on Bull Run and Aeolus; Mr. G. Cheape and Miss B. von Schubert on Aragon and Fol Espoir; Mr. D. Fraser and Mrs B. Liddell on Blue Boy and Promilow

In all these events the 5 best competitors will be in the finals and will have to "jump" it off on Saturday afternoon at the Race Course, commencing at 3.30 p.m.

As there are six teams in the Tent Pegging competition, the Committee have decided that the heats will take place on the Pole Ground, Race Course at 5.30 p.m. on Friday, and the best 3 teams will compete in the finals on Saturday.

The following is the entry list for the remaining events:

Tent pagging—American Troop; "A" American Troop; "B"; Shanghai Light Horse "No 1 Troop"; Shanghai Light Horse "No. 2 Troop"; Punjabi Lions; Punjabi Tigers.

Rickshaw Race—Mr. and Mrs. H. A. White; Mr. A. Laidlaw and partner; Mr. Duncan Fraser and Miss Y. Pollock; Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Mirams; Mr. D. F. C. Cleland and Mrs. Selby Walker; Mr. and Mrs. G. Cheape; Mr. and Mrs. I. H. Howell; Mr. I. E. House and partner; Mr. and Mrs. E. Kermode; Mr. and Mrs. H. Holden; Mr. I. Kinloch and partner; Mr. J. S. Clark and Mrs. B. Liddell; Mr. and Mrs. C. Encarnacao; Mr. and Mrs. J. Johnston-Hoerter; Mr. A. R. Forsyth and Mrs. Lambert; Mr. G. W. Lacks and partner; Mr. E. Toeg and partner; Mr. and Mrs. W. Ward Smith.

Balloon battle.—H. A. White; N. F. Allman; E. Mandelert; A. Laidlaw; Duncan Fraser; D. G. Mirams; D. F. C. Cleland; Miss Y. Pollock; A. V. Striker; Mrs. E. Kermode; E. Kermode; H. Holden; I. Kinloch; J. L. Kay; J. S. Clark; C. Encarnacao; J. Johnston-Hoerter; Mrs. E. Andrews; A. R. Forsyth; R. C. Phillips; H. Azadian; H. D. Rodger; G. W. Lacks; E. Toeg; Mrs. B. Liddell; R. J. Shepphard; R. T. Oates; W. Ward Smith.

Umbrella Race.—Mr. and Mrs. H. A. White; Mr. A. Laidlaw and partner; Mr. Duncan Fraser and Miss Y. Pollock; Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Mirams; Mr. D. F. C. Cleland and Mrs. Selby Walker; Mr. and Mrs. G. Cheape; Mr. I. E. House and partner; Mr. and Mrs. H. Holden; Mr. I. Kinloch and partner; Mr. J. L. Kay and partner; Mr. J. S. Clark and Mrs. B. Liddell; Mr. and Mrs. C. Encarnacao; Mr. and Mrs. J. Johnston-Hoerter; Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Rodger; Mr. G. W. Lacks and partner; Mr. E. Toeg and partner; Mr. and Mrs. Ward Smith.

V. C. Race.—Messrs. H. A. White; N. F. Allman; A. Laidlaw; Duncan Fraser; D. G. Mirams; D. F. C. Cleland; A. V. Striker; I. E. House; E. Kermode; C. N. Abbott; I. Kinloch; J. L. Kay; J. S. Clark; C. Encarnacao; J. Johnston-Hoerter; A. R. Forsyth; H. Azadian; G. W. Lacks; E. Toeg; R. J. Shepphard; R. T. Oates; W. Ward Smith.

"N.C.D.N." Photo.

Where's That One Gone To?

Carla Dammers, of the Foreign "Y", bangs out a high one in a softball friendly game played at Kiaochow Park last Sunday between the A.S.P. "A" and the Foreign Y.M.C.A., won by the former 10-3. "Jiggy" Pereira is the A.S.P. catcher.

Field Events Made Easy..... No. 6: The Pole Vault

By "TRACKSTER"

WHILE no hard and fast rules can be set down governing the physical characteristics of an event, most top flight pole vaulters are built along tall rangy lines with strong arms and shoulders. Natural speed in action and running is also an important factor. Many American vaulters, who are without doubt supreme among the world's contestants in this event, are also expert gymnasts and acrobats.

There are several distinct movements that take place in this event and each must be mastered if the vaulter expects to be rated among the upper class contestants.

GRIP AND CARRY OF THE POLE

Assuming that the aspiring vaulter is right handed the position of the hand on the pole should be established as a fixed point by the height of the cross-bar. Up to heights of nine or 10 feet the grip should be a little higher than the point where the cross bar meets the pole, when the latter is in a vertical position. Between 10 and 12 foot vaults the grip may be about even with the cross bar, and for championship heights the grip will be considerably lower than the bar. This spot, where the grip is fixed, will be determined only through practice. With the pole on the right side of the body the right hand should extend somewhat backward and grasp the pole, palm down, and the thumb pointing backward.

The left hand should grasp the pole palm down and about 36 inches below the right hand. The left forearm should be held across the front of the body, parallel to the ground, and at about right angles to the run-way. However, some vaulters run down the approach with the pole parallel to the run-way.

PLANTING THE POLE

The approach should be made with reduced speed rather than full speed. A method of check marks similar to that in the broad-jump should be used. The pole should be "planted" or thrown forward into the pole socket mid-way in the next to the last stride before the vault. As the pole is pushed forward and into the socket the left hand should be shifted back to the right and the two lifted upward. As the runner hits the take-off mark his hands should be directly over head with the hands somewhat up-stretched.

TAKE-OFF

The take-off should be executed by landing on the left foot flat-footed. At impact the knee should flex slightly but then snap up right as the foot rolls forward in a heel-toe motion. The opposite foot should be kicked upward. The kick should be straight ahead so as to swing the body straight up and forward. If the kick is made to the side then the body swing will likely be outward instead of upward and forward.

SWING UP

The up-swing begins with the kick which starts the body in a pendulum motion. If the hips are bent the swing up will be more rapid as the radius of the arc described by the body swing will be shorter. As the pole reaches its vertical position and the hips are higher than the hands the push should commence. Following the push from the hand grip the forearms should be parallel to the pole and the feet up over the head. The vaulter will actually be standing on his hands. As he pushes away from the pole and up and over the bar he should give the pole a push so that it will drop back on the runway. The vaulter should land in the pit relaxed to prevent shocks to the legs and body.

TRAINING

In this event more than any other, form is more important than training. Very few vaulters spend much time clearing the bar after they have mastered the form, but rather spend more time working out with the sprinters, hurdlers and gymnasts to develop speed, rhythm, and co-ordination. A suggested training schedule follows.

Monday—Warm-up, run around track easily with the pole, check over take-off marks. Take a couple of 50 yard dashes.

Tuesday—Warm-up on parallel bars and horse in gym. Practice vaulting with emphasis on form.

Wednesday—Warm-up on horizontal bar and other apparatus, little vaulting to iron out form defects.

Thursday—Warm-up on rings, do some acrobatics (hands stands etc.) Run over a few low hurdles.

Friday—Rest.

Saturday—Competition or trials.

Eighteen Qualified for Indianapolis Classic

Indianapolis, May 20.

Eighteen of 33 drivers who on Sunday roared from starting positions to qualify for the Indianapolis 500 mile speedway classic here on May 30, qualified for the race, it was announced yesterday.

Georgie Connors, of Los Angeles, hurtled through in the best qualifying time— averaging 123.984 miles per hour. Other leaders were the veteran Al Miller of Detroit with 123.478 m.p.h.; and George Robson, Huntington Park, Col., 121.576 m.p.h.

The averages were clocked over a two and one-half mile distance.—United Press.

Final Pointers for Punters

By "THE CHASER"

WE shan't be able to make or lose any more money for the next four and a half months now that the racing season has been officially closed and this is of course a very sad blow indeed to all of those who have visited the Race Course religiously during the spring as to them life without racing is not worth living.

All the ponies have been "let-down" for the summer though still exercising in the early hours of the morning, their workouts are strictly confined to trotting and walking. Many will not have a let-up as they will probably be taken on to the polo field, there to pursue the wooden ball.

It has often been said that there is nothing to touch the China ponies as far as strength and stamina is concerned. This exhortation has again been proved to be quite true with the racing of the year's "X" and "Y" subs. As far as I know, I do not think that anyone of them have suffered from the racing and none have gone lame. If there are any with hot tendons, the number must be very small indeed.

Should Go a Long Way

A pony which should go a long way if treated correctly is Dunhuang who has up to the present shown himself to be definitely one of the best subs of the year. Out of three starts he has managed to garner two firsts and a second. In many ways he resembles his jockey's favourite mount, Cluniehouse. His shape differs slightly but the resemblance is very strong when the heads are compared, even to the star in the forehead.

If you had seen these little ponies when they first arrived, with their ribs sticking out prominently, you would have thought they were moving radiators. Tough is the word for these ponies! Surely a class pony is Merry Sportsman, the winner of the Sub-Derby. His being unplaced in the Sub-Champions is easily explained as the race was run in heavy mud and he cannot gallop an inch in heavy going. He appears to have a rather horsey strain in him, which sort of brands him as "class".

The Next to Go Up

The next rider to enter the black letter group will surely be C. Y. Wong. I am not certain how many wins he has to his credit but it certainly will be very close to ten if not ten. He has been rather lucky with his subs this year as nearly everyone of them have been able to either win or be placed. He owns the "Island" outfit.

Many seem to think that if White Night had been entered in the Champions he would have been very close indeed. The jockey, who rode in the race that White Night won last week, mentioned after the race that he never saw a pony respond so strongly as did White Night on Saturday when he won the Consolation Cup in the good time of 2.39⅘. This time is nearly two seconds faster than that of Rye who won the big race in the day, the Inter-Club Sweepstakes Handicap.

A Hard Worker

Cyclone Bill certainly ran his feet off this spring. According to statistics it seems that he has started no less than fifteen times out of which he has won four and placed in three. It appears that Cyclone Bill and the Sikh in the gold turban in the Public Stand never misses a meeting!

Cherrybey started in twelve races and only managed to be out of the money three times. He scored three firsts, four seconds and two thirds. The only three times he failed to come anywhere one, two or three, were the times I backed him!

Cluniehill's record is also rather enviable. He started in eleven races of which he won two, placed second thrice and was third past the post three times. Meanwhile, going to the other extreme we find Second Thoughts who started in fourteen races and finished an "also-ran" fourteen times. Not bad!

Equine Johnnie Walker

One of the oldest ponies racing today is Tungstenlight who has been in active competition since 1934. He started his career when he was fairly long in the tooth but like Johnnie Walker still seems to be going strong—strong enough to win a race on Saturday.

Fez, a "Y" sub of the year, changed hands at last week's auction for the sum of $2,600. I understand he fetched such a high price because he was highly touted by a couple of journalistic horse experts who appear to have the uncanny ability to obtain first hand information straight from the horse's mouth—the only trouble is that they speak to the losing horses all the time.

Inter-Club Golf Match Next Sunday

The following teams have been chosen to represent the Shanghai Golf Club and Hungjao Golf Club, in their inter-club match on Sunday:—

"A" TEAMS AT HUNGJAO

HUNGJAO G.C. v. SHANGHAI G.C.

a.m.	p.m.	
9.32		A. Ricketts v. L. D. Carson
9.36	1.00	T. S. M. Terrace v. W. H. C. Huggett
9.40		D. R. Glass v. J. S. MacDonald
9.44	1.04	W.J. Hawkings v. R.T. Dwyer
9.48		K.M. Cumming v. S. J. H. Fox
9.52	1.08	J. K.P. Hadland v. A.B. Davis
9.56		H. Laffond v. L. Saphiere
10.00	1.12	H. F. B. Gardener v. P. H. Scoones
10.04		A. V. Pettitt v. W. H. B. Rigg
10.08	1.16	A.S. Adamson v. J.C. Dickson
10.12		H. R. Cleland v. B. J. Wall
10.16	1.32	F. S. Gibbings v. J. H. Underwood
10.20		K. B. Hill v. R. D. Bell
10.24	1.36	W. D. Ward-Smith v. I. L. G. Wheeler
10.28		G. H. Mann v. A. Pratt
10.32	1.40	H. Martin Little v. R. A. Henningsen

"B" TEAMS AT SEEKINJAO

9.20		C. M. Wentworth v. H. Grubb
9.24	1.20	E. A. P. Wood v. F. Cowherd
9.28		J. H. P. Perry v. N. E. Lurton
9.32	1.24	W. B. Rigden v. A. J. Clark
9.36		K. E. Newman v. W. R. McCutcheon
9.40	1.44	G. E. Marden v. J. Stevenson
9.44		K. K. Rounds v. J. M. Avent
9.48	1.48	C. Maclean v. K. E. Graham
9.52		H. G. Banham v. F. Marshall
9.56	1.52	W. Beveridge v. W. G. Scott
10.00		A. Graham v. R. E. Rediger
10.04	1.56	C. C. King v. H. H. Cameron
10.08		John Young v. W. W. Jourdin
10.12	2.00	T. S. Powell v. J. F. Brister
10.16		S. G. Riggs v. P. Isherwood
10.20	2.04	L. I. Ovadia v. J. K. Ewing

Shanghai Cricket Club Week-end Teams

D. W. Leach's XI. v. A. C. Sinclair's XI on Saturday, May 24, 1.30 p.m. at the S.C.C. ground.

D. W. Leach's:—D. W. Leach (Capt.), W. N. Dickson, E. R. Duckitt, J. Fletcher, W. Marsay, R. E. H. Nelson, H. E. Orr, J. W. Pote-Hunt, R. F. Scott, J. A. G. L. Smith, W. B. Sim.

A. C. Sinclair's:—A. C. Sinclair (Capt.), W. V. K. Chadwick, A. V. T. Dean, G. B. Elliot, K. J. Flemons, J. C. Jenkins, Dr. H. H. Morris, T. C. G. Pearson, P. V. Simpson, E. J. Sluis, T. H. Wood.

Reserves:—From:—A. Linnard, J. R. Kale, K. M. Pate, W. F. V. Watton, L. C. Day, D. J. Graybrock, R. U. Reynolds.

Umpires:—C. Victory Syms and Rev. F. W. Weaver.

Hammond and Brown In Middle East

London, May 20.

As an interesting adjunct to the recent news of a game of cricket played in tin hats at Tobruk, comes the report that two famous England cricketers are serving in units in the Middle East.

They are W. R. Hammond, the former England captain, and F. R. Brown, the all-rounder. Hammond recently made 94 runs in one game, and Brown has also been scoring well in recent matches.—Reuter.

Golf Courses to Grow More Food

London, May. 15.

Once the Dig for Victory campaign was under way it was surprising that eyes were not turned sooner towards golf courses where there is so much land that can be utilised for growing food without harming the actual layout of the course.

In fact any such scheme may well help towards an improved standard of play among those people who are still able to enjoy an occasional round. With allotments bordering some of the holes the margin for error must be lessened, and greater accuracy demanded than is the case on many courses which have wide expanses of "rough" which give little cause for anxiety.

While it has been suggested that Scottish courses are to be surveyed, with a view to their use as food production areas, it may be found that the type of soil there will not be so suitable as is that of the average English course, none of which are likely to escape a nation-wide survey.

Some clubs have, on their own, started cultivation for their members and an extension of the scheme should find many a golfer leaving home "for the club" on Sunday morning—but not in smart golfing attire and with his golf clubs over his shoulder, but in old gardening clothes, and carryinig his spade and fork.

Home grown vegetables are quite a feature of the menus at a number of clubs in peace-time, and golfers who fear for their courses through an extension of the Dig for Victory campaign, need not think that bunkers and greens are going to be ploughed up wholesale.—Reuter.

Ladies Softball Schedule

The following is the schedule of the friendly games to be played at Kiaochow Park on Sunday, May 25:—

8.30 a.m.	Ching Woo—A.S.P. "C"	kp. 1
8.30 a.m.	S.M.C.—J.A.C.	kp. 2
10.00 a.m.	Mollers—W.S.S. Reds	kp. 1
10.00 a.m.	A.S.P. "A"—A.S.P. "B"	kp. 2
11.14 a.m.	J.R.C.—Telephones	kp. 1

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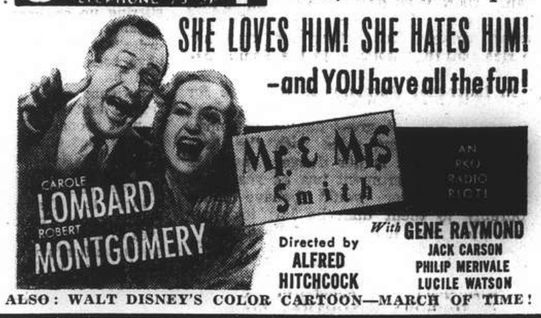

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Philippines Strongly Support U.S. Export Control

Manila, May 20.

THE Philippine Commonwealth today was virtually united in support of President Roosevelt's programme of licensing exports of the island's strategic raw materials in order to aid friendly nations and hinder unfriendly ones.

Major Philippine exports including copra, coconut oil, hemp and iron will fall under the export licence system under the bill passed by the U.S. Congress yesterday, placing U.S. territories and possessions under the control programme. Previously, the Philippine Assembly was considering instituting a similar programme under its own jurisdiction until Washington took matters into its own hands.

Good Will

Most Filipino Assemblymen approved the programme, not only on the grounds that it constituted a gesture of good will to America but also showed desire of the Philippines to collaborate with U.S. efforts to help democracies in the war against the totalitarian powers.

Mr. Tomes Oppus, chairman of the powerful appropriations committee, led the fight against the programme in behalf of the copra producers of the Philippines.

Oppus contended that there was no reason to believe that Philippine exports to Soviet Russia and Japan were finding their way to Germany, declaring that the United States is exporting products to Soviet Russia "while we who hardly have four centavos in our pocket would deny ourselves the right and opportunity to follow suit, especially at this time when we have a good chance of making some money through our hemp and copra exports."

U.S. Defended

Other assemblymen defended U.S. exports to Russia, claiming that Washington was attempting to win Soviet friendship through increased trade between the two countries.

Passage of the bill presages an end to the biggest loop-hole in the United States export licensing system, according to authoritative observers.

Although the United States has embargoed coconut oil and copra, Philippine exports of such products have continued on an ever-increasing scale the past six months to Japan, Shanghai and Vladivostok. According to informed quarters, most of these shipments were finding their way to Moscow, where they could either be trans-shipped to Germany or would permit exportation of similar amounts of Russian products to Germany.

Soviet Russia's purchases of inedible coconut oil in 1940 totalled 304 metric tons compared to none in 1939, while Japan purchased five metric tons in 1940 compared to none in 1939.

Soviet Purchases

Soviet Russia purchased 22,488 metric tons of copra in 1940 and none in 1939, while Japanese purchases in 1940 were 210 metric tons compared to none the previous year.

In January and February, 1941, China purchased 4,066,344 kilos of copra and Japan, 6,908,175 kilos of copra, compared to no purchases during the same months of 1940. Experts here believe that most of the China purchases were destined for trans-shipment to Vladivostok.

Japan in January and February of 1941 purchased 5,215,602 kilos of cocoanut oil compared to 155 kilos during the same period in 1940 while China purchased 1,476,476 kilos compared to 55,557 kilos in January and February, 1940.

Soviet Russia in January purchased 5,913 metric tons of copra compared to none in the same month of 1940.

Japan's purchases of 7,059,399 kilos of copper in 1939 dropped off to 4,393,355 kilos in 1940 because of increased United States purchases. Her purchases of manganese similarly dropped from 23,519 tons in 1939 to 5,776 tons in 1940.—United Press.

Congress Approves Export Bill

Washington, May 20.

New United States economic pressure against Japan, Soviet Russia and other Axis partners, especially in the field of vegetable fats, oils and hemp was made possible yesterday when Congress passed and sent to the White House for signature the Philippines export control bill. The bill is applicable to all U.S. territories and possessions.

Philippine coconut oil and copra are the best-known sources of lauric acid and fats easily convertible into glycerine, gun-powder, plastics and many other war essentials. Hemp is a Philippine monopoly and there is no substitute raw material for rope, which is vital to operations of ships and many industrial processes.

Mr. Sam Rayburn, Speaker of the House, and Vice-President Henry A. Wallace, acting for the Senate, signed the joint resolution applying export control regulations to the Phillipines, Puerto Rico, Hawaii, Alaska and the Canal Zone and despatched it to the White House to await President Roosevelt's signature. Action was taken less than 10 days from the moment Col. Henry L. Stimson, Secretary of War, sent the proposal to Congress.

Flurry of Questions

The bill was approved by the House after a mild flurry of questions from Mr. Jess P. Wolcott, acting Republican floor leader, which was interpreted at the time as indicating isolationist opposition to the programme. The explanation that the bill carried "urgent support of the War Department, State Department and Philippine Commonwealth" apparently satisfied Mr. Wolcott who withdrew his objections. This allowed the bill, in form already approved by the Senate, to move to the White House where its speedy signature was anticipated.

The fact the Commonwealth supported the programme seemed to play an important role in final consideration of the bill and the fact the Philippines offered to endure whatever sacrifices were necessary on behalf of common defence apparently impressed Congressional leaders and officials who apparently still had the impression that Commonwealth leaders have been secretly gravitating toward Japan and the Axis.

While Congressional quarters seemed to appreciate this attitude, they also anticipated Filipino requests for aid in alleviating economic conditions caused by the war and the new programme, and some murmurs of protest against this were already audible.—United Press.

Grew, Matsuoka Meeting Said Social Affair

Tokyo, May 20.

Mr. Koh Ishii, Deputy Spokesman of the Cabinet Information Board, today termed yesterday's meeting between Mr. Yosuke Matsuoka, Foreign Minister, and Mr. Joseph C. Grew, United States Ambassador to China, a "mere social gathering."

Mr. Matsuoka invited Mr. Grew to tea at the former's private residence and "Mr. Grew was kind enough to give Mr. Matsuoka a nice cold cure," Mr. Ishii told foreign correspondents during his regular press conference.

Asked if Japan would invoke belligerent rights in the Sino-Japanese war Mr. Ishii replied that the question had been discussed several times but that there had been no change in the Government's attitude toward the matter.—United Press.

Mr. Hull Silent

Washington, May 19.

The U.S. Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell Hull, declined to comment regarding Tokyo despatches reporting a further meeting between the United States Ambassador in Tokyo, Mr. Joseph C. Grew, and the Japanese Foreign Minister, Mr. Yosuke Matsuoka.

Mr. Hull refused to answer a reporter's query whether the talks indicated any possibility of improving Japanese-American relations. Discreetly turning aside queries, the Secretary of State said that he had not heard anything regarding conversations which he thought might be useful to the press.—Domei.

British Firms Not Leaving Thailand

Bangkok, May 20.

A Japanese report broadcast over the Tokyo radio that British firms in Thailand, including British owned tin mines, were to be closed down was categorically denied today by the British Legation here.

The Thai Government officially contradicted another Tokyo radio assertion that the British authorities in Bangkok had protested to the Thai Government over the report of a Thai-Russian agreement to exchange Thai ores and rubber for Russian oil.—Reuter.

Roosevelt Said Between Devil and Deep Sea

Tokyo, May 20.

The Tokyo "Nichi Nichi" today prominently displayed a special despatch from Washington asserting that President Roosevelt "now is between the devil of his promise not to fight and the deep sea of unlimited aid to Britain"

The despatch said that President Roosevelt had declared the convoy system would be a means of "firing" on the Axis and firing with or without a declaration of war. However, the despatch said, President Roosevelt was aware of the danger that once guns were fired in the Atlantic or Red Sea hostilities would spread to the Pacific and "the United States would have on its hands Japan, France, Russia, Spain and Turkey."—United Press.

Anzacs Tell of Amazing Escape from Greece

Nicosia, May 20.

It is now possible to reveal that a party of Imperial troops who were the remnants of the historic rear-guard at Mount Olympus, in rags, some of them ill and wounded, reached the shores of Cyprus after the most astonishing escapes among Greek Ægean islands.

They tell stories of desperate resistance against impossible odds when Nazi planes, tanks and infantry in massed assaults tried to smash their line. One Anzac said: "The Germans came on like men determined to be slaughtered. We mowed them down like flies. One river where we made a stand was so choked with German bodies that you could walk across. Man for man, we were better than the Germans, but although our artillery was magnificent we had not the swarms of tanks and planes which was the real secret of the German success."

When eventually tanks broke their lines, these men began to march to the coast. Rations exhausted, without blankets and most of their equipment discarded, day and night they trudged on.—Reuter.

U.S.A. Alleged to Have Warned Indo-China

Tokyo, May 20.

The "Yomiuri Shimbun" correspondent in Hanoi, quoting "authoritative sources," claimed today that the French Indo-China Government had received a strong warning from Washington that the United States would resort to some retaliatory measure in the event Indo-China projected any rapprochement with the Axis powers similar to the manner shown recently by the Vichy Government.

The despatch described the U.S. warning as an expression of alleged American antipathy to Vichy's co-operative attitude toward Germany. The report simultaneously described the warning as an attempt to disturb efforts toward rapprochement between Japan and Indo-China. The despatch alleged that the United States regarded seriously any such rapprochement owing to Indo-China's political, economic and strategical importance in the Southern Pacific.

The Hanoi despatch predicted that Indo-China would reject the warning flatly.—United Press.

Nazis Said Using Spain as Tool

Washington, May 20.

Germany is represented in every Spanish Consulate and Legation in the United States for the purpose of combating Pan-Americanism, a prominent Spanish official here said yesterday.

The Marquis de Aguiar, representative of Spanish Catholic Royalist parties in the United States, said he had advised the State Department that he had been informed Germany was represented in the consulates.

He said that Nazi penetration was in the name of the Spanish party, but in reality was under direction of Berlin.

Shiploads of arms have been sent to Mexico and Chile, the Marquis de Aguiar said. He also said that two panzer divisions have crossed Spain en route to Tunisia and Libya and that 12 German divisions have been in Spain since November—to act in Morocco when the auspicious moment arrives. The moment depends on an agreement between Generalissimo Francisco Franco and Germany and on collaboration between Germany and France, the Marquis said.

In October, 1938, the Marquis said, Spain agreed to enter the war but the plan was changed last September when Spain was instructed to remain neutral and get everything possible from the United States and Britain. Germany then "peacefully" invaded Spain and also put military forces in the Canary Islands and Spanish African possession, the Marquis said.—United Press.

"Magic Night" Was Great Success

All roads led to "Magic Night" (the American Workroom's party for the British Red Cross) at the Columbia Country Club on Saturday evening and it lived up to its name in every way.

The club was gaily decorated, a large Union Jack and the Stars and Stripes forming an outstanding note. The committee greeted the 400 guests at the entrance and helped them find their tables, this giving a pleasant and personal touch. Among the attractions were a first-class band and lovely dance hostesses disguised in little black velvet masks; several games of chance; and the Wonder Paddle Wheel at which guests vied with each other in buying a paddle holding a lucky number entitling them to choose one of many beautiful prizes. The fortune teller was besieged by guests wanting to get a peep into the future. One could also capture the atmosphere of the Gay Nineties by having a picture taken "on a bicycle built for two." A very good dinner was served at the de luxe cafeteria—hot dogs and Navy beans leading the procession.

Result Gratifying

Needless to add, the financial outcome was most gratifying to the Committee which was composed of Mesdames Eric Petersen (head of the American Workroom), G. F. C. Corfield, P. Pemberton-Carter, and Wirt Leonard (who again made good on her "painless extraction" policy of funds for war efforts.)

Among those present were Mr. A. H. George, Mr. Frank P. Lockhart, Judge Milton J. Helmick, Admiral W. A. Glassford, Judge and Mme Lingat, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Arnhold, Mr. H. Bar, Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Barraclough, Major A. Bassett, Mrs. Beith, Mme Berubi, Mr. and Mrs. R. Rodson, Mr. Mme E. A. Chaudoin and Mlle Chaudoin, Mrs. Virgil Crowe, Dr. and Mrs. T. B. Dunn, Mr. F. Russell Engdahl, Mr. and Mrs. A. Eveleigh, Dr. and Mrs. W. H. Gardiner, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Guest, Mr. J. Halberg, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Hardman, Mr. U. S. Harkson, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Heinzerling, Mr. R. Henningsen, Mr. and Mme L. Leclerc, Mr. P. F. Le Fevre, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Lang, Mr. and Mrs. D. McLorn, Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Marden, Mr. and Mrs. G. E. O. Mayne, Mr. and Mrs. W. Nicholls, Mr. Pande, Mr. T. H. Pond, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Porter, Mr. and Mrs. Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Riem, Mr. A. F. Rundell, Mr. and Mrs. Schmid, Miss G. Sauvayre, Mr. L. R. Schinazi, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce M. Smith, Mr. F. Twogood.

Japan's Proposals Fail To Stir Manila

Manila, May 20.

Japan's reported assurances, via New York and Moscow, not to push south, today failed to create the slightest stir in Manila, where continuous arrival of American troops and planes gave a feeling of confidence in the Philippines that Japan would steer clear of the shadows of the American Flag.

Informed sources believed that the determined trend in Washington was fully grasped by Oregon educated Mr. Yosuke Matsuoka, Japanese Foreign Minister. Therefore, they believed, the peace feelers were, in large measure, inspired by the mass flight of "Flying Fortress" bombers to Hawaii and by the proven ease with which Consolidated bombers were ferried to Singapore, via Manila.

Reaction in American circles in Manila was summed up by the American owned "Manila Bulletin."

"From the American point of view," said the "Bulletin" in an editorial, "the Japanese promise to refrain from southward conquest figures materially less now than it might have some time ago.

"A plan far different from appeasement has been adopted for dealing with that problem—and it is making quite some progress. It is the plan of Pacific defence, a form of preparedness that should prevent war but also provides a means to deal with war if it is not preventable."—United Press.

Chinese Impressed with Malaya's Strength

Singapore, May 20.

A Chinese military mission has left Singapore for Chungking "fortified with the knowledge of the immense strength of military preparedness in Malaya," according to a member of the mission in a farewell broadcast yesterday, after a two weeks' tour of many centres of military importance, which enabled them "to understand the real strength of Malaya."

"We are happy to know that we have a strong friend here in this part of the world," the spokesman of the mission added.—Reuter.

Mr. John L. Lewis

Strike Situation in U.S. Changing

Washington, May 20.

Mr. John L. Lewis, President of the United Mine Workers, yesterday ordered miners to return to work Tuesday, pending signature of a tentative contract providing for immediate wage increases.

The miners won 7½ per cent. wage increases, retroactive to May 1 and effective until October 1, after which a 10 per cent. increase will be effective, together with U.S.$20 vacation pay.—United Press.

Railways Threatened

New York, May 20.

Labour agitation for wage increases has now spread to railways. Representatives of five big railwaymen's unions, involving 350,000 workers, have announced that they are seeking a 30 per cent increase in wages and are launching a country-wide campaign. Notice of the demand for an increase will be served on the railways on June 10.

As a result of a tentative agreement on wages and hours between coal owners and anthracite miners, the miners have been granted wage increases, and the strike ended yesterday.—Reuter.

Full Emergency May Be Declared By Roosevelt

Washington, May 20.

President Roosevelt is considering a special message to Congress regarding the international situation, in which he possibly may declare a full emergency, it was learned yesterday on the highest authority.

The President met legislative leaders yesterday morning for the first time in three weeks.

Leaders were informed the President "might" send a special message concerning war developments as they effect the United States and possibly recommending new Congressional action.

If President Roosevelt decides to send the message to Congress, it will be done soon, it was learned.

The United Press source said that President Roosevelt read from a document on his desk but listeners could not determine whether the document was the draft of the proposed message.

Meanwhile, the President called to active service eight more National Guard aviation squadrons as well as infantry and coast artillery battalions.—Reuter.

Message to Congress?

Washington, May 20.

According to reports circulating in Washington, President Roosevelt has discussed with legislative leaders the possibility that he will soon send to Congress a special message on foreign affairs.—Reuter.

Russia Using British Parashot Technique

Moscow, May 20.

The Soviet Union, which originated the technique of parachute soldiers, has taken a leaf out of Britain's defence-book in co-opting civilian defence against this new form of warfare.

The Soviet radio stated yesterday that 13,000 miners were among a large number of citizens who took part in defence exercises in the important industrial centre of Stalino.—Reuter.

Plan to Take Over All Foreign Ships

New York, May 19.

Informed circles disclosed today that President Roosevelt is considering concrete plans for the joint requisitioning of all foreign ships in Western Hemisphere harbours by 21 American Republics as a supplementary measure to the bill, pending in Congress, involving the requisitioning of all foreign ships tied up in United States ports.

If adopted, the measure is expected to affect 200 vessels which are at present in central South American ports, in addition to 80 ships in United States ports.

Some sources predicted that the plan will be presented to the Pan-American Economic Advisory Commission which is scheduled to open on May 22.—Domei.

French Protest

Berlin, May 20.

The German news agency D.N.B., yesterday in a despatch from Vichy, said that the French Ambassador in Washington protested to the United States Government over confiscation of French ships in American harbours. (The U.S. Coast Guard last week placed guards aboard French ships immobilized in American harbours but allowed crews to remain aboard. Previous Vichy reports said that because of the crews being allowed to remain aboard the French did not consider the action constituted confiscation.)—United Press.

Inquest Verdict in H.M. Police Court

A verdict of death by misadventure was returned by H.M. Coroner, Mr. C. H. Haines, in H. M. Police Court yesterday afternoon at the close of the adjourned inquest on Arjan Singh, Sikh watchman who sustained fatal injuries in a traffic accident on May 8, at the entrance to the Kung Dah Cotton Mill in Yangtszepoo.

Mr. Haines, in reaching his verdict, found that deceased died at the General Hospital on the same day as the result of injuries he had received when he was crushed between a motor truck and a pillar at the mill.

"I find after careful consideration that the driver of the truck is not entirely to blame. Mr. Haines continued, "the entrance to the mill is very narrow. If a truck is travelling right in the middle of the entrance with only two feet clearance from the pillar, which is hardly enough, I must say that Arjan Singh took a very grave risk when he walked from the yard to the place where he was injured."

Medical evidence was furnished by Dr. S. K. Squires, who treated deceased at the General Hospital on the afternoon of May 8. The Indian, he said, was suffering from fracture of the ribs and laceration of a lung. The injuries were consistent with his having been crushed between a pillar and a truck.

Monopoly Wanted

A Chinese woman who tried in vain to monopolize the affections of her common law husband, who has three wives, by kidnapping his only son by the second wife or concubine so that he would turn his attention to her, was told in the First Special District Court yesterday when 25 persons alleged to be members of the big kidnapping gang under the woman's leadership were tried by Judge Siao. The woman, Wang Ching-feng, is still at large but her alleged accomplices were all charged with robbery and kidnapping yesterday. After a lengthy hearing, judgment was reserved pending further investigations.

Failing to Report an Accident Brings Fine

The importance of the driving public in reporting to the Police all accidents was emphasized by the Registrar, Mr. C. H. Haines, in H.M. Police Court yesterday when Mr. J. Dalton was charged with failing to obey police signals while driving a car at 12.30 a.m. on May 4, at the Bubbling Well Road and Avenue Haig crossing, and with failing to stop his car after being involved in an accident. He was fined $25 on each charge or $50 altogether.

In imposing the fine Mr. Haines observed that the police should have the full co-operation of the public to control traffic entering the Settlement. The Police, he added, might have brought the charges under the Road Traffic Act, which provided for a much higher penalty.

Police Hands Full

Inspector G. Craik of the Traffic Office, conducting the case for the Police, stressed the importance of the public's observing the barriers and obstacles to traffic placed by the Police at outlying point of the Settlement. The Police have their hands full, he continued, and must depend on the co-operation of the public.

A Chinese constable attached to Bubbling Well Station told the court that the car had passed the tram lines instead of going through the barriers, and the driver had disregarded the notice set up by the police in the vicinity to slow down. The left wheels of the car, he continued, negotiated a trench and suffered a severe jolt, resulting in some glass being shattered.

Mr. Dalton, after admitting the first charge, said he did not consider at the time that the extent of the accident necessitated his stopping. He had not hit anyone or anything, and did not think it was necessary for him to stop.

U.S. Roundup of Alien Seamen Continues

Washington, May 20.

The Department of Justice yesterday said the week-end roundup of aliens in the United States resulted in detention of about 300, mostly seamen, the majority of whom were Italians and Germans. The roundup would continue until all aliens illegally in the United States are apprehended, said the department.—United Press.

Britain to Use U.S. Commercial Planes

Washington, May 20.

American transport planes are being converted into "flying water tanks" to rush fresh water to the British Empire's thinly scattered troops in the Near East and North Africa, it was learned here yesterday.

The British need 50 such commercial planes, it was understood.

Mr. Jesse Jones, Secretary of Commerce, it was recalled, purchased between 20 and 30 planes—from five place cabin jobs to 14 passenger Douglasses.

Meanwhile, it was disclosed that a number of converted planes already have been delivered and may now be in the process of being ferried across the ocean from South America. The planes were said to have been sent to Sierra Leone, from where they presumably would go to Cairo.—United Press.

Kidnappers Sentenced

Charged with kidnapping, Li Yu-tong drew 10 years' imprisonment, while his three accomplices received prison terms ranging between eight months and five years in the First Special District Court yesterday. The gang was also found guilty of the robbery of a Chinese transportation firm where they stole more than $40,000 in February.

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Money and Exchange

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TUESDAY, MAY 20, 1941

BANK'S SELLING RATES 10 A.M.

£1 @ 3$\frac{3}{32}$d.	$	73.14
U.S. $100 @ 5$\frac{7}{16}$	$1,832.35	
Yen	22½	$100
Guilders	9⅞	100
Rupees	18⅛	100
Pesos	10⅝	100
Hongkong	$21¾	100

BANK'S BUYING RATES 10 A.M.

£1 @ 3$\frac{11}{32}$d.	$ 71.77
U.S. $100 @ 5$\frac{7}{16}$	$1,839.00
London—demand, $1=	3$\frac{11}{32}$d.
4 months' sight credits	3$\frac{13}{32}$d.
4 months' sight docts	3$\frac{7}{16}$d.
6 months' sight credits	3$\frac{7}{16}$d.
6 months' sight docts	3$\frac{15}{32}$d.
New York—demand, $100=	U.S. 5\frac{7}{16}$
4 months' sight credits	U.S. $5½
4 months' sight docts	U.S. 5\frac{9}{16}$

NEW YORK/LONDON CASH RATES

£1=U.S. $4.03¼ U.S. $1=59.52d.

INTERBANK CLOSING SELLING RATES

Sterling .... 3$\frac{7}{16}$d. U.S. .... 5\frac{13}{32}$
Hongkong/London 1/3

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U.S.$ Selling „ @ 9½ „ H.H.$100
Local $ (Fapi) buying @ 180 per H.H.$ 00

CUSTOMS OFFICIAL RATES FOR DUTY PAYMENTS

Gold Unit 1.00—Hua Hsing $2.796
CRB$ or @ 185
Gold Unit 1.00—Local Dollar $5.173

Local Exchange Report

Messrs. Drakeford, Davis & Wilson

INTER BANK CASH DELIVERY

£	Highest	3$\frac{7}{16}$	Lowest	3$\frac{13}{32}$
U.S. $		5$\frac{7}{16}$		5$\frac{13}{32}$

MERCHANT CLOSING RATES

	SELLING		BUYING
May		May/July	
£ T.T.	3$\frac{7}{16}$	4 m/s. l.c.	3$\frac{15}{32}$
U.S.$ T.T.	5⅜	4 m/s. l.c.	5½
Rs: TT.	18⅜	15 d/s.	18⅞

BAR SILVER

	READY	FOR'D
London pence per std. oz.	23$\frac{7}{16}$	23$\frac{7}{16}$
N.Y. cents per oz. troy	34¾	—
Bombay Rs. per 100 tolas	62.10	—
Bombay offtake 200 bars.		

U.S. $/£ CROSS RATE CASH QUOTATIONS

New York closing rate for May 19 4.03¼
Local Sellers of U.S.$ against £ at the close 3.92
Local Buyers of U.S.$ against £ at the close 3.93

The local market opened with sellers at 3$\frac{7}{16}$d. sterling and 5$\frac{13}{32}$ U.S.$ for cash delivery. Right from the opening the undertone was steady and rates improved on speculative selling to 3$\frac{7}{16}$d. sterling whilst business was done in U.S.$ as high as 5$\frac{7}{16}$. In the afternoon the market continued steady on the basis of 3$\frac{7}{16}$ sterling and 5$\frac{13}{32}$ U.S.$ and closed without any particular feature with these rates sellers for Cash/June delivery.

Foreign Exchanges

Closing, May 19.

Bombay Rupee T. T. on:

Japan	81½ N.	London	1/5$\frac{15}{16}$
N. Y.	333¼-332¾	2 mths	
Shanghai	19	„ sellers	1/5$\frac{15}{16}$
Hongkong	82½	„ buyers	1/6
		Japan 2 mths	
		„ sellers	83 N.
		„ buyers	77¼ N.

London £ Sterling T. T. on:

New York	402.50	Bombay	1/6
Madrid	40.00	Hongkong	1/3$\frac{1}{16}$
Berne	17.30	Singapore	2/4$\frac{3}{16}$
Bel. Congo	176½	Yokohama	1/2½
Shanghai	3$\frac{15}{32}$d.	„ buying	1/2

New York U.S.$. T. T. on:

Berlin	40.05	Brazil	5.05
Spain	9.25 N.	Japan	23.45/48*
Paris	2.31	Shanghai	5.50
Italy	5.05 N.	Hongkong	24.57
S'zerland	23.20	Hungary	19.85
„ "free"	23.25	Finland	2.05
Sweden	23.86	Manila	49.80 N.
Montreal	87.180		

London	4.03¼
Buenos Aires Paper	29.78
„ „ „ market rate	23.75
Montred on London	4.62½

*—Offered N—Nominal.—Reuter.

Foreign Money Rates

London: May 19.

Fine Bank Bills,	3 months	1$\frac{1}{16}$%
Bank Bills,	6 months	1$\frac{3}{16}$%
Fine Trade Bills,	3 months	2¾%
Fine Trade Bills,	6 months	3¼%
Call money		⅞%

New York:

Bankers' Acceptances for 1, 2 and 3 months	0½%B 0$\frac{7}{16}$%A
Bankers' Acceptances for 4 months	0$\frac{9}{16}$%B 0½%A
Call money	1%

B—Bid. A—Asked.—Reuter.

Manila Gold Shares

(Sales in Pesos)

May 20.	Sales 10 a.m.	Prices p.m. Closing
Atoks	.29 B	.33 B
Antamok	.05 A	.05 A
Baguio Gold	.1475 B	.15 B
Batong Buhay	.0075 A	.0075 A
Big Wedge	.29 B	.34
Coco Grove	.0625 A	.0625
Consolidated Mines	.0015 B	.0016 B
Demonstration	.05 A	.05 A
East Mindanao	.0775 B	.08
I. X. L.	.22	.22
Ipo Gold	.05 A	.05 A
Itogen	.175	.18 B
Mambulao Consolidated	.01 A	.01 A
Masbate Consolidated	.09 B	.095
Mine Operations	.055 A	.055 A
Paracale Gumaus	.25 B	.255 B
San Mauricio	.30 A	.30 A
Surigao Consolidated	.175 B	.18 B
Suyoc	.09	.09 B
Syndicate Investment	.022 A	.022 A
United Paracale	.16 B	.175
Mindanao Motherlode	.275 B	.28 B
Manila Hai-Alai	7.00 B	7.00 B
Benguet Consolidated (over the counter)	2.95 B	—

A—Asked. B—Bid.—Reuter.

London Bullion

London, May 19.

London Gold: Bar Gold, Fine, per oz 168/- unchanged.

London Silver: The little trade demand witnessed today was satisfied by production sources. The market ruled quiet After the official fixing the market was steady but idle, with no business passing.

Spot	23$\frac{7}{16}$d.	+$\frac{1}{16}$d.
Forward	23$\frac{7}{16}$d.	unch.

—Reuter.

Silver Quotations

	May 19	May 20
London spot	23$\frac{7}{16}$d.	Unrecd.
„ forward	23$\frac{7}{16}$d.	„
„ gold	168/-	168/-

—Reuter.

Shanghai Stocks

Yesterday's Business

The market was uncertain at the opening yesterday but prices remained steady throughout the day. The turnover was small with rubbers taking very little business.

Official Averages

High	Low		Today's Average	Change
462.56	105.32	General	279.55	—0.73
485.40	95.55	Rubbers	264.43	—1.86

Total 159,743 shares, 2,430 bonds.

Morning Session

Yangtsze Finance 500 *15.90 2000 15.90
1500 15.80
S'hai Loan 500 18.50 500 18.70
2500 18.30 500 *18.30
S. W. W. "A" £20 60 900.00
I. I. Trust 500 23.75 2500 24.00
S'hai Securities 500 *5.75 500 5.75
China Realty 2000 9.65
S'hai Land 500 *13.10 4000 13.20
Dockyards 2700 *26.50 2700 26.25
2700 26.50 300 26.75 1600 *26.75
3100 26.50 1000 *26.50 300 *26.25
1400 26.25
Asia Navigation 3000 11.80 1500 11.70
2000 11.90 500 *11.80 5000 11.80
Ewo Brewery 500 6.65 500 *6.65
1000 6.60
Wheelock 800 92.00 2100 92.50
100 *92.00 100 *92.50 1300 93.00
200 *93.00 4900 93.50 700 *93.50
2300 93.00 500 *93.00 2800 92.50
300 92.00 300 *92.00 1200 92.50
Ewo Mills (Ord) 1600 35.00 1500 *34.75
300 *35.00 4000 35.25 100 35.00
500 *35.25 100 35.50 500 *35.50
2300 35.25 600 *35.25 900 35.00
200 *35.00
Central Prop 700 18.30
Textile 1000 7.60
Worsted 3000 5.15
Tram (Bearer) £1 600 42.00
C. G. Omnibus 200 15.70 60 15.30
400 15.60
S'hai Gas 200 13.20
Paper 1000 *5.10 5000 5.10
Lumber 700 44.50 200 44.25
Metal 500 29.25 500 29.00
500 29.25 3600 29.50 500 *29.50
700 29.75 1900 29.25 1000 29.00
100 *29.25 100 29.25
Kaiping 100 37.00
Exploration 7000 23.25 5500 23.50
500 *23.50 500 *23.25 500 23.50
Anglo Dutch 100 17.50 100 17.40
100 17.30 200 17.20
Anglo Java 2900 37.00 1000 37.25
100 *37.00 500 36.75
Kroewoek (X.D.) 1000 2.15 1000 2.12½
Langkat 100 25.75 500 26.00
300 *26.00 400 25.75 100 25.50
Rubber Trust 1000 9.90
Senawang 1000 1.52
Kelantan 2000 0.76
Tebong 2000 *1.38
Ziangbe 1400 21.50 2800 21.75
1400 21.50 100 21.25
S. W. W. "B" 100 40.00
S. W. W. "C" 500 40.00
Power 5½% Debs. 100000 *91.50
S. M. C. 5% 1937 5000 *80.50
S. M. C. 6% 1940 8000 97.00
Telephone 6% Debs. 100000 *98.00
Telephone 6% Tael Debs. 30000 98.00

ODD LOTS

Securities 100 5.35
Kroewoek 500 2.15
Telephone 40 *31.75
S'hai Loan 200 18.70
S. W. W. "A" £20 1 905.00
S'hai Gas 70 13.50 25 13.20
Ewo Brewery 150 *6.70
Asia Navigation 200 11.90 200 11.76
100 12.00
Exploration 100 *23.50 240 *22.75
300 *22.00 200 23.50

Afternoon Session

19/5/41

H. & S. Bank 25 *Hk1,315.00
S. W. W. "A" £20 36 900.00
S'hai Loan 500 *18.80
Dockyards 800 *26.25 500 26.25
200 *26.50 700 *26.25
Asia Navigation 500 11.80
Ewo Brewery 500 6.60
Wheelock 200 92.50 100 *92.50
700 *93.00 500 93.00
Ewo Mills (Ord) 600 *35.00 300 35.00
Textile 500 7.55 1000 7.60
500 7.65 500 *7.60
Worsted 500 *5.15
C. G. Omnibus 600 15.60
Paper 3000 5.15
Lumber 600 *43.75 500 44.00
Metal 2000 29.25
Kaiping 100 37.00
Exploration 1500 23.25 500 *23.25
Anglo Dutch X.D. 500 17.00 100 17.10
Anglo Java 500 36.50
Kroewoek X.D. 1000 2.12½
Langkat 400 25.50
Ziangbe 300 21.25
S. W. W. 7% (Pref) 150 13.70

ODD LOTS

Paper 10 5.05
Asia Navigation 100 12.00
*—Direct Business.

Sterling Exchange Control

London, May 20.

The British Treasury order governing payments to and from Central America marks a further big step towards completing the structure of sterling exchange control. Added to earlier payments agreements with other American countries. this order puts virtually the last link into the chain of regularized sterling exchange arrangements with all countries in North, Central and South America, except only Colombia.

Moreover, unlike earlier payments arrangements, this Central American arrangement has an important multilateral aspect. Broadly, the Treasury order places a ring-fence around twelve Central American countries as regards their financial transactions with the sterling area.

The twelve countries concerned are Costa Rica, Cuba, the Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Guatemala, Haiti, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama (excluding the Canal Zone), Salvador and Venezuela.

Sterling Payments

Sterling payments to any persons or institution in these countries (typically for their exports to Britain) will henceforth be made to a "Central American account." Sterling in such accounts may only be used for payments to the sterling area, except that payments may be freely transferred from any one Central American account to another.

All exports from the sterling area to these countries must be paid for in sterling from a Central American account, or in dollars or registered sterling. This arrangement differs from existing "special sterling accounts" in two respects.

Any persons or institution may hold a Central American account, whereas only banks are allowed to hold special accounts, and secondly, the twelve countries are treated as a whole, whereas special accounts are purely bilateral.

Permitted credits to Central American accounts include sterling transferred from the account of a resident in the sterling area, sterling transferred from the existing account of a resident in any of the Central American countries, sterling transferred from another Central American account, and the sterling proceeds of United States dollars sold to an authorised dealer.—Reuter.

Evacuation from Syria By Britons Begins

Jerusalem, May 20.

Evacuation of Syria and Lebanon by British, Americans and Palestinians on advice of their consuls is reported in a despatch to the Independent French Agency.—Reuter.

Shanghai April Foreign Trade

A grand total of G.U.34,023,007, (G.U.=40$\frac{11}{16}$ pence sterling for April), for foreign imports from abroad during April 1491, and $184,445,155 for exports is noted from the returns issued by the Chinese Maritime Customs for Shanghai. January-April figures were G.U.95,219,865 and $584.705.973. as against G.U.90.367.106 and $365.699,429 for 1940.

NET IMPORTS.
Including Bond Withdrawals

	Apr. 1941 G.U.	Jan.-Apr. 1941 G.U.
Cotton P. G. Grey	191	435
Piece white or dyed	26,348	75,598
Piece printed	4,855	14,670
Piece miscellaneous	4,328	22,262
Cotton raw, yarn	8,029,828	20,260,624
Cotton manu, Sundry	15,075	50,087
Flax, ramie, hemp	163,791	524,021
Wool and manu.	576,403	1,691,681
Silk	324,407	1,762,703
Metal and ores	1,140,253	2,404,445
Machinery and tools	461,702	1,553,553
Vehicles and vessels	134,123	667,658
Metal manu.	413,251	1,281,218
Fishery products	159,814	754,060
Canned goods.	402,332	1,174,046
Cereals and flour	10,175,458	27,026,538
Fruits, seeds	343,633	1,551,704
Medicinal goods	215,051	741,340
Sugar	949,612	3,896,533
Wines, beer	104,200	297,291
Tobacco	1,042,959	2,023,553
Pharmaceuticals	1,418,012	3,281,298
Dyes, varnishes	674,649	2,879,243
Candles, resins etc.	2,731,655	6,738,285
Books, maps, paper	1,443,399	3,781,709
Hides, leather etc.	345,682	996,456
Timber	248,339	970,650
Bamboo	204,483	595,356
Coal, fuel, tar	1,146,984	3,827,897
Chinaware, etc.	90,160	343,921
Stone, earth	24,640	193,689
Sundry	1,007,390	2,834,335
Grand Total	34,023,007	95,219,865

NET EXPORTS

Animal products	15,780,353	53,384,363
Hides, leather	8,123,047	21,104,277
Fish products	292,460	1,494,833
Beans and Peas	569,155	4,997,286
Cereals	2,011,866	9,180,593
Dyestuffs, vegetables	252,682	760,731
Fruits, preserves	577,782	2,168,063
Medicinals	1,417,630	5,309,949
Oils, tallow, wax	8,888,364	18,839,246
Seeds	1,986,794	5,893,877
Spirituous beverages	1,653,831	4,462,825
Sugar	776	2,922
Tea	4,955,765	10,187,487
Tobacco	2,923,259	6,923,745
Vegetables	504,745	2,258,508
Vegetable products	1,401,675	7,043,266
Bamboo	175,973	389,069
Fuel	1,025,254	3,713,791
Rattan	2,236	4,197
Timber	1,370,897	4,488,322
Paper	3,142,795	7,574,459
Textile fibres	32,130,140	119,562,035
Yarn, thread	21,976,071	60,107,285
Piece Goods	15,445,429	46,159,115
Other textiles	13,822,804	34,942,183
Ores, metals	18,319,622	67,054,079
Glass, glassware	3,177,260	9,740,102
Stone, earth	2,315,254	7,310,408
Chemicals	5,397,700	19,414,433
Printed matter	625,168	2,237,774
Sundry	14,142,368	47,996,750
Grand Total	181,445,155	584,705,973

VALUE OF MERCHANDISE
April 1941

	G.U.	$
Gross Imports	34,837,153	
Less Re-exports Abroad	814,146	
Net Imports	34,023,007	92,100,280
Gross Exports		184,668,823
Less Re-imports From Abroad		223,668
Net Exports		184,445,155
Total Net Imports and Exports		276,545,435

VALUE OF MERCHANDISE
Jan.-Apr. 1940

	G.U.	$
Gross Imports	91,300,232	
Less Re-Exports Abroad	933,126	
Net Imports	90,367,106	244,623,757
Gross Exports		366,646,366
Less Re-imports from Abroad		946,937
Net Exports		365,699,429
Total Net Imports and Exports		610,323,186

VALUE OF MERCHANDISE
Jan.-Apr. 1941

	G.U.	$
Gross Imports	97,686,607	
Less Re-exports Abroad	2,466,742	
Net Imports	95,219,865	257,760,174
Gross Exports		585,331,577
Less Re-imports from Abroad		625,604
Net Exports		584,705,973
Total Net Imports and Exports		842,466,147

London Stocks

Monday's Closing Quotations

London, May 19.

The turnover on the London Stock Exchange today was small, with price movements confined to narrow limits.

British gilt-edged securities ruled easier on a switchover of interest towards The London War Savings campaign.

Foreign bonds ruled steady, except Spanish 4 per cent, which lost 2½ to 22½.

Industrials were featured by improvements in irons, steels, shippings and textiles. Among the latter, Fine Cotton Spinners ruled firm on the payment of the year's dividend of 5 per cent. on its preferred shares.—Reuter.

	May 16.	19
U.K. LOANS		
3½% War Loan (Red.)	£103$\frac{7}{16}$	103$\frac{5}{16}$
3% Defence Loan	101⅝	101⅝
CHINESE LOANS		
4½% Gold Loan, 1898	39	39
4½% Anglo-French Loan	40	40
5% Crisp Loan, 1912	20½	20½
5% Reorg Loan, 1913	28½	28½
8% Stg. Notes, 1925	7—9	7—9
5% Honan Rly., 1905	12	12
5% Hukuang Rly., 1911	13	13
5% „ „ „ (Ger. Is.)	11	11
5% Lung Tsing U. H. Rly.	9	9
5% S'hai-Nanking Rly.	14	14
5% T'tsin-Pukow Rly. B.	10	10
5% „ „ G.	10	10
5% „ „ (Supl. Loan) B.	10	10
5% „ „ (Supl. Loan) G.	10	10
5% Canton-Kowloon Rly.	9	9
5% Chinese Imp. Rly.	48	48
JAPANESE BONDS		
5% Sterling Loan, 1907	20½	20½
6% Sterling Loan, 1924	23¼	23¼
BANKS AND INSURANCE		
Chartd. Bank of I. A. & C.	8¾	8⅞
H. & S. Bank (Ldn. Reg.)	73	73
„ „ „ (Col. Reg.)	76½ N	76½ N
Mercantile Bank of India	11¼	11⅛
National Bank of India	31¼	31¼
Un. Ins. Soc. of Canton	22	22
COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIALS		
Bristol Aeroplane	9/10½	9/10½
B'tish American Tobacco	88/9	88/9
Dunlop Rubber	34/3	*32/10½
Imp. Chem. Industries	30/9	30/9
United Steel	22/7½	22/9
Woolworths	47/9	47/9
MINES		
Chinese Eng. & Min.	12/6	12/6
Chosen Corp.	4/-	4/-
Marsman Investments	6/3	6/3
Pekin-Syndicate	1/-	1/-
Sub-Nigel	143/9	143/9
Western Holdings	10/6	10/7½
MISCELLANEOUS		
Great Western Rly.	33¾	33¾
Gula Kalumpong Rubber	15/-	15/-
London, Midland & Scot	12⅜	12⅝
S'hai Elec. Construction	16/-	16/-
S'hai Waterworks "A"	15	15
Shell Transport & Trad.	40/-	40/1½

*—Ex dividend.

April Rubber Outputs

	lb.
Henrietta Rubber Estate Ltd. ..	133,700
Sungei Matang Rubber Estate Ltd.	39,000

New York Stocks

Monday's Closing Quotations

New York, May 19.

Stock prices on Wall Street today finished with mostly fractional gains, with activity the smallest recorded in months.

A few coppers, steels and oils managed to make slight gains, but tax and war uncertainties and spreading price control continue to be market depressants.

The turnover amounted to 220,000 shares.—Reuter.

Dow-Jones Averages

	High	Low	Close	Changes
30 Indust.	116.36	115.92	116.15	+0.04
20 Rails	27.92	27.73	27.82	unch.
15 Utilit.	17.36	17.22	17.30	+0.08
40 Bonds	——	——	91.31	—.04
11 Commod.	——	——	69.35	+0.37

May	17	19	May	17	19
Adams Exp	*5½	5½	Int T & T	*2½	2¼
Alg Lud	*20	20⅝	Johns Man	*57	58
Allis Chal	25¾	26½	Kennecott	35½	35½
Amer Can	79½	—	Libbey O F	29½	29⅞
Am Cyan	36	36	Lockheed	20⅞	21
Am For Pr	0⅛	*0⅛	Loew's	28⅝	28½
„ $7 pfd	18½	*18	Martin	28¼	†26½
Am Loco	*11⅝	11⅞	Mont Ward	32⅝	32⅞
Am Metal	17½	17½	Nat Dairy	12⅞	13½
Am Radtr	6½	6½	Nat Avian	*7½	7½
Am R Mill	13⅝	13⅝	Nat City B	*24⅞	*24⅞
Am Smelt	38	39	Nat Dist	19⅝	19⅝
Am Suf	15⅞	*15⅞	Nat Sup	*5½	5½
Am T & T	149½	149½	Nat P & L	6	6⅛
Am Tob	64	64½	N Y Cent	12⅝	12⅝
Am Wtwrks	4½	4½	Niag Hud	2½	2½
Anaconda	25½	25½	N A Avian	12¾	12⅞
Atchison	27½	27⅞	N Am Co	12½	12½
Avian Cpn	2⅞	2¾	N Pacific	*6⅝	6⅝
Balt & O	3⅞	3⅝	Packard	2½	2½
Barns Oil	9⅛	9	Paramount	11⅛	11
Bendix	33½	33⅝	Penn R R	24	23⅞
Beth St	69	69½	Phil Pet	41½	41½
Bald Loco	13	*13	Pullman	24⅞	25½
Bliss	*14½	*14½	Pure Oil	9⅝	9½
Boeing	12⅞	12⅞	Radio	3⅝	3⅞
Borg War	16¾	16½	Reading	*14⅞	14¾
Briggs	*18¾	19	Rem Arms	*4½	*4½
Budd Mfg	*3⅞	3¾	Rep Avian	3½	3½
Can Pac	3½	3½	Rep Steel	17⅞	17⅝
Celanese	*20⅝	20⅝	Rey Tob B	29⅝	29⅞
Chase N B	*29	*28⅞	Schenley	9⅞	9½
Chesa & O	34½	34½	Shell O Oil	14½	14⅝
Chrysler	56	55⅝	Soc Vac	9⅝	9⅝
Col G & E	2¾	2⅞	Sthrn Pac	11½	11½
Col Credit	22½	22½	Sthrn Rly	23	22⅞
Com & Sth	0⅝	0⅝	Std Brands	5⅝	5⅝
Cons Edis	17¾	18	Spicer	*29	*28½
Cons Oil	6	6	Std G & E	*0½	0½
Copld St	*14½	*14⅞	Std Oil N J	36	36½
Curtis Wr	8	7⅞	Studebaker	4½	4⅞
Douglas	65	65½	Swift Int	18½	18½
Du Pont	140½	140⅞	Technicor	*8	8
E P Lead	*7⅞	7⅞	Tex Corp	39⅝	39⅞
Elec A Lite	26½	26⅝	Transamer	4½	4½
Elec B & S	2½	2½	Tw Cent	5⅝	5½
„ $5 pfd	55½	—	Un B & P	*10½	10½
„ $6 pfd	59½	59	Un Pac	80⅞	80⅝
E P & L	*32½	33½	Un Air	37½	37½
Flintkote	*12⅞	12½	Un A Lines	*9½	9⅞
Gen Elec	28⅝	28⅝	Un Corp	0⅝	0½
Gen Motor	37½	37⅞	„ $3 pfd	21⅝	21½
Gen Rly	12½	12½	Un G Imp	7	6⅞
Gen T & R	*10	—	U S Rub	21½	21½
Goodrich	12½	12½	U S Steel	52⅞	†52⅞
Goodyear	16⅝	16½	Vanadium	23½	23
Gt N I Ore	*14½	14½	Vultee	*4⅞	*5
Gt N Rly	25½	25½	Walworth	4	4½
Gt W Sug	23⅝	23½	War Br Pcts	3⅝	3⅝
Int Nickel	24½	24½	West Elec	88½	*88
Int Paper	13⅝	13½	Woodward	25½	*25½
BONDS					
Am For Pr	55	55	Erie	23⅝	23½
Aust Com	58⅞	58⅞	Int T & T	47½	46½
Brazil	20⅝	20⅞	New Eng	*62	63
„ 6½%	*16⅝	16⅞	Sthrn Pac	52⅝	52½
C S P & L	98	98	St G & E	86½	86⅞

*—Bid. †—Ex. Div.

Dow-Jones Summary

By courtesy of Swan, Culbertson & Fritz

Stock prices presented a narrowly mixed appearance today on a light volume of trading. Wall Street ignored the improvement in commodity prices and higher steel operations. Rails were heavy on the reported railway brotherhood's plan, asking for a thirty per cent. wage increase next month. Traders are withholding commitments, pending the next German move and also some indication as to the new taxes.

Wei Wah Report

In accordance with the provisions of its regulations and rules, the Wei Wah Credit Reserve Supervisory Committee is charged with the duty of making regular monthly examination of the records and relevant documents showing the amount of the credit extended in wei wah by the Joint Reserve Board of the Shanghai Bankers Association to its member-banks and the classification and value of the assets deposited as collateral security. In a meeting duly assembled on May 20, 1941 the committee carried out the twenty-second monthly examination as mentioned above; and, after having examined all the records and relevant documents and certificates in a manner and to the extent which we considered appropriate, we beg hereby to report on the position of the credit extended for the month ended April 30, 1941 as follows:—

A. Assets deposited as security

	Appraised Value NC$
Principal Commodities ..	151,200.00
Stocks & Debentures	6,981,179.84
Real Estate	39,545,513.55
	NC$46,677,893.39

B. Wei wah credit approved for issue

Amount Issued	18,646,000.00
Amount Issuable	11,353,900.00
	NC$29,999,900.00

It is stipulated in Article 9 of the regulations governing the extension of Wei Wah credit that "the amount of the credit to be extended in wei wah by the Board to its member-banks shall not exceed 70 per cent. of the appraised value of the assets deposited as security." Based on such examination as we conducted, we are satisfied that the proportion between the amount of the wei wah credit approved for extension to any individual bank and the appraised value of the assets accepted from such individual bank as collateral security as on the above date does not exceed the ratio permitted by these Regulations, and that the value of the assets as appraised is substantially correct at this date, the Wei Wah Credit Reserve Supervisory Committee.

Stock Market Trading

New York, May 19.

The market moved narrowly today as trading dwindled to the lightest levels in months.

Wall Street experts anticipated adverse war news for the next few weeks and most predicted an irregular decline on the market.

Some experts believed that the decline will be slow and gradual, rather than swift and with volume. However, they pointed out the list will be highly vulnerable to any British reverses.

Current interests focused on commodities and the Government's proposed price ceilings, also inflation implications.

Judging market action, there were no inflationary trends thus far, since it was evident that real inflation would bring sharp gains.

The "Wall Street Journal" noted that prices were making up for lost time, in the rise, and that sizeable price inflation could come without any increased money supply.

Wheat today hit new seasonal highs, closing two cents a bushel higher on the Statement of Mr. Claude R. Wickard, Secretary of Agriculture, which indicated that President Roosevelt would sign the farm bill, which provides 85 per cent. parity loans on wheat, corn, cotton, tobacco and rice.

Steel operations increased to a record 99.9 per cent. of plant capacity. Wall Street ignored higher commodities, plus good reports from industry as well as several labour development Traders withheld commitments pending the next German move, plus a definite idea of tax trends.—United Press.

U.S. Commodities

Monday's Closing Quotations

New York, May 19.

Steady conditions prevailed at the opening of the cotton market today, with quotations ruling from unchanged to 8 points down from Saturday's close. The market early declined on an accumulation of hedges, commission house liquidation, announcement that the combed yarn ceiling would be well under present prices and nervousness regarding the final disposition of the Loan Bill. Later, prices rallied sharply on the statement of Mr. Claude Wickard, intimating that President Roosevelt would approve the 85 per cent. parity Loan Bill. Local covering and outside buying easily absorbed scale-up spot house selling against equities. Finally, the market reacted on more active hedging and realizing but closed steady, with quotations ranging from 1 to 5 points down.

Prices in the rubber market today slumped on lower London cables, a slackening of factory demand, liquidation and hedge selling At the close, losses of 20 to 46 points were recorded.

Wheat futures in Chicago today touched new seasonal highs in late dealings on the revival of speculative and commercial buying, which was touched-off by the remarks of Mr. Claude Wickard that President Roosevelt favours the attainment of parity levels for basic crops this year. At the final bell, gains of 2 cents were registered.

New York Cotton			New York Rubber		
July	12.90-90	—02	July	23.89-90	—46
Oct.	13.04-06	—02	Sept.	23.60-60	—20
Dec.	13.12-13	—01	Dec.	23.10-10	—26
Jan.	13.13-12	—02	Mar.	22.70-75	—31
Mar.	13.19-19	—01		B/A	
May	13.19 N.	—05			

N. Y. Sugar No. 3			N. Y. Sugar No. 4		
July	2.42-44 B/A	—2	July	0.84-85 B/A	unch.
Sept.	2.46-47 B/A	—2	Sept.	0.91-91½ B/A	unc.

Chicago Wheat			Chicago Corn		
July	99¾-99⅞	+2	July	73⅝-73¼	+½
Sept.	100¾-100⅞	+2	Sept.	74½-74⅜	+⅝

New York Silk No. 1

July 2.87½B-88½A +1½

B—Bid A—Asked.—Reuter.

British Commodities

Monday's Closing Quotations

London, May 19.

Prices in the London tin market today ruled quiet.

London Rubber: spot buyers 14$\frac{1}{16}$ —$\frac{1}{16}$; sellers 14½ unch; June del. buyers 14 —$\frac{1}{16}$; sellers 14⅛ —⅛;

London Metals: Tin, Standard, Cash, middle price £267¾ —⅞; 3 mths., middle price £266¾ —¾.—Reuter.

Local Commodities

Yesterday's Prices

Cotton yn. 20's, D.H. p.b. Cash	$1,426
Tungchow cotton .. per picul	232
Shanghai cotton .. per picul	212
Flour, local .. per bag (49lb.)	$29.00
Flour, imported per bag (49lb.)	28.80
	picul
Raw silk, Steamfil, 20/22 78%	$6,150 Nom.

Soviet Russia Said to Be More Anti-British

Tokyo, May 20

The Soviet Union recently has shown a more anti-British colour which indirectly indicates a closer Soviet-German understanding, the influential newspaper "Asahi" editorially asserted this morning.

Pointing out that Soviet Russia's attitude toward the Axis during the German campaign in the Balkans had been anything but cooperation with the Axis, the "Asahi" declared that recent events increasingly were showing that Russia was moving toward the Axis camp.

The paper said that the Soviet foreign policy which had been realistically carried out and which had been marked by staying aloof from the European war, had recently turned more aggressive in the Near East by the conclusion of diplomatic and trade agreements with Iraq while the sending of volunteer troops to Iraq indicated this tendency.

If the Soviet policy still remained for non-participation in the European war, then Russia must "inevitably deepen her understanding with Germany," the "Asahi" concluded.—Domei.

Kunming-Burma Railway To be Speeded

Lahore, May 20.

To the feat of road building which the Chinese performed when they completed in December, 1938, the 1,400-mile Chungking-Kunming-Burma road within a little more than a year, they will now be able to add a feat in railway construction, writes "The Civil and Military Gazette," Lahore.

The acceptance by the British Government of the financial responsibility for the construction of the railway from Lashio, now the terminus of the railway and the starting point in Burma of the Burma-Yunnan Road, to the frontier of Burma, will accelerate work on the railway that the Chinese propose to build more or less along the Burma road, thus giving Kunming, the picturesque capital of the Yunnan province, and Chungking, the temporary capital of China, direct access to the Bay of Bengal.

China's back door in Burma may now be said to have already become her front door. Difficult as one may find it to believe in view of the adverse verdict of experts in the past who examined the financial prospects of railway projects between Burma and Western China, the Chinese have found the Burma road unable to cope effectively with the traffic available.—Reuter.

Axis Recognition Of Nanking Seen

Tokyo, May 20.

"We expect Germany and Italy recognition of the National government of China at Nanking under Mr. Wang Ching-wei will be forthcoming, though we cannot tell definitely when," replied the Deputy Spokesman of the Information Board this morning when questioned regarding a press report of Germany and Italy's recognition of the Nanking regime.

When asked whether or not Japan will claim belligerency rights over China, the spokesman declared that there was "no change in the policy of this nation," adding: "We are not considering it." He added that Mr. Kumataro Honda, Japanese Ambassador to the Nanking government, did not discuss this question during his conversation with government leaders.

A complete agreement in views has been reached between Mr. Kumataro Honda and government leaders, including the Premier, Foreign Minister and the Ministers of the fighting services, regarding the consolidation of the Nanking government as a result of their interviews, it is understood.

Press Comment

It is further understood that Mr. Honda will stay in Tokyo for a while longer to elaborate the details of a formula for strengthening the Nanking government's position.

"To request Germany and Italy to recognize the National government of China at Nanking under Mr. Wang Ching-wei may be one of the appropriate measures for consolidating the latter's position," says the "Chugai Shogyo," a leading commercial paper, commenting on the formula for strengthening the Nanking government.

The invocation, however, of belligerent rights by Japan may claim attention in accelerating the settlement of the Sino-Japanese conflict, the paper states, adding: "It certainly will not run counter to the Sino-Japanese basic treaty concluded at Nanking on November 30 last year, nor will it thwart the sound development of the Nanking government. On the contrary, it goes a long way toward the complete settlement of the China affair."—Reuter.

East Indies Angry Over Recent Vichy Action

Batavia, May 20.

For some days now, since the Vichy government concluded its agreement with Germany and events in Syria pointed to further Vichy co-operation with the Nazis, the press of the Netherlands East Indies has been very incensed against the Vichy government's "treachery" and has been demanding the withdrawal from their midst of an "enemy" representative—the Vichy Consul-General in Batavia.

Yesterday one paper suggested that the Vichy representative should not be allowed to fly the French flag in the future, "the once honoured tricolore having gained the qualities of a red rag in the eyes of a bull now that Marshal Petain and Admiral Darlan have steeped themselves in the mire of treachery."

It continued: "We hope not to see this flag floating over the Consulate-General again before it has been adorned with the Cross of Lorraine, the symbol of the Free French."—Reuter.

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FROM DAY TO DAY

REAR-ADMIRAL W. A. Glassford and his staff will be guests of honour at the R.A.F.A. tiffin to be held in the Dome on Friday.

IN order to reinforce the maintenance of peace and order in Hongkew, the Japanese Consular Police opened a police branch station on Tiendong Road yesterday, the "Tairiku Shimpo" reports.

THE Tsitsihar Road market building has been leased by the Shanghai Municipal Council to the European Refugee Committee for a period of three years at a rental of $1,700 per mensem.

MR. Tateki Horiuchi, Japanese Consul-General here, paid a visit to the Japanese garrison at Nantao on Monday afternoon to enquire after the war wounded there, the "Shanghai Mainichi" reports.

THE engagement is announced of Miss Cherry Barnes, elder daughter of Mr. O. G. Barnes, London Manager of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, and Mrs. Barnes, to Pilot Officer Keith Stevens, of Sutton.

ONE of the victims of Monday's fire in a trolley bus near the corner of Carter and Shanhaikwan Roads died yesterday. The others, with the exception of one or two whose injuries were serious, were on the way to recovery.

MAJOR V. E. Duclos, Canadian Trade Commissioner will broadcast over XCDN tomorrow at 9.20 p.m. his subject being "Canada's War Effort." This is the third talk in the series of "The War Efforts of the British Commonwealth of Nations."

MR. LU Jung-huan, Manchoukuoan Ambassador to the Nanking Government who had been on a visit to Hsinking for consultations with his home government, returned to Nanking by air on Monday afternoon, the "Shanghai Mainichi" reports.

HEADMASTERS and teachers of the Council's secondary and primary schools for Chinese are giving a farewell dinner in honour of Mr. L. C. Healey, Superintendent of Education, S.M.C., at noon on May 25, at the Hotel Pacific, Bubbling Well Road.

THE ladies of the British Embassy, Court and Consulate, will be in charge of the Sweet Stall at the Ministering Children's League Fun Fair, to be held at the Race Club, on May 31. Home-made candies and other delicacies will be on sale, including specially packed baskets.

HWA Sieh-ling, 46-year old resident of Nantao, was knocked down and killed by a tram at the intersection of Rue du Consulat and Rue Colbert at 2.30 p.m. yesterday. Taken to Ste. Marie's Hospital, the victim died a few minutes later. His skull was fractured in the accident.

GRADUATION ceremonies of the Nanking Government Central Naval School at Nantao, will be held this morning for 35 graduates who have completed their two-year training under the guidance of Rear-Admiral Chiang Hsi-yuan, director of the school, the "Tairiku Shimpo" reports.

WHEN Frank Barry conducts his "Shanghai Forum" at 9.30 p.m., the topic to be discussed today from XCDN is "The Chit System." The public are asked to telephone the studio (16967) during or before this debate and suggest one or more further topics to be dealt with during the broadcast.

FRIENDS will be interested to hear that Mrs. K. W. Johnstone and her two children, Bruce and Jean, are now living in Sarasota, Florida, on the Gulf of Mexico. At the recent Sarasota annual carnival, Jean won the children's grand prize for the best costume and also first prize for the prettiest girl.

A CONTINGENT of the Women's Royal Naval Service under Second Officer Archdale have arrived in Singapore on wireless duties, and all have specialized technical knowledge. Their white duck uniform has a distinguishing blue and gold wireless crest on the collar. The uniform is completed by a white panama hat. They were met and welcomed by Mrs. Drew, wife of Admiral T. B. Drew.

GENERAL Lung Yun, Chairman of the Yunnan Provincial Government, has donated $40,000 towards the fund in aid of destitute students and instructors of the National Yunnan University, states a report from Kunming to the "National Herald." The university was partially destroyed during a recent Japanese air raid. Mr. Hsiung Ching-lai, Chancellor of the University, yesterday, tendered his thanks to General Lung Yun on behalf of the university.

THE health report of the French Municipality for the week ending May 17, shows that the total number of deaths from all causes amongst the foreign and Chinese population in the Concession was: Foreigners 13 and Chinese 244. Deaths from notifiable diseases were: Foreigners, tuberculosis 2 and typhus fever one. Chinese, tuberculosis 45; typhoid and paratyphoid fevers 26; pneumonia 10; dysentery 5; diphtheria 2; measles 2 and recurring fever, grippe, typhus fever, one each.

COINCIDING with the drive by the B.R.A. Waste Paper Group to reach the figure of $50,000 by June 30, there appears to be a shortage of waste paper in Shanghai as the Waste Paper Group is being pressed by buyers for further supplies and have not a scrap of paper left on hand for sale. All stocks and collections of last week were cleared by last week-end, and vigorous efforts are now being made by the Waste Paper Group to speed up collections of paper by B.R.A. members and their friends.

THE programme for the last Symphony Concert of the Season 1940-1941 in the Lyceum Theatre, on Sunday at 5.15 p.m. is as follows:—

Prelude a "L'apres-midi d'un Faune" ..... Debussy

Symphonic Poem "The Fountains of Rome" ..... Respighi
The Fountain of Valle-Giulia at dawn
The Triton Fountain at morn
The Fountain of Trevi at mid-day
The Villa Mediol Fountain at sunset without interruption

Symphonic Variations for Piano and Orchestra ..... Franck
Soliist: Wincia Tomaszewska

Works by Rich. Strauss
"Burleske" for Piano and Orchestra
Soloist: Wincia Tomaszewska

Symphonic Poem ..... "Don Juan"
Conductor: Maestro Mario Paci

SHIPPING NEWS

The ss. **Hoten Maru** of the Dairen Kisen Kaisya Line, operating between Shanghai, Tsingtao and Dairen, left Shanghai for the northern ports yesterday morning.

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The ss. **Dairen Maru** of the Dairen Kisen Kaisya, operating on the Shanghai-Tsingtao-Dairen run, is expected in port this afternoon. She will berth alongside the company's Whangpoo Wharf in Yangtszepoo. The steamer will remain here until 9 a.m. on Friday when she will sail on her return voyage to the northern ports.

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La Ciotat (France), May 19.

A new liner, which will be christened **Marechal Petain**, is being built here at present and will be placed in service on the China run. The vessel will be 550 feet in length and 70 in width, and will have a speed of 22 knots. She will be able to accommodate 196 first class and 155 tourist class passengers.—Havas Telemondial.

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The ss. **President Taft** of the American President Lines will arrive from Hongkong and Manila on Saturday, May 24. She will berth at Buoys 12 and 13, and passengers will disembark by tender, arriving at the Customs Jetty at 9.15 a.m. She will sail for San Francisco and Los Angeles via Yokohama and Honolulu, omitting Kobe, the same evening, the last tender leaving the Customs Jetty at 7.00 p.m.

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Tokyo, May 20.

A 62-year-old dream came true yesterday when Port Keihin the "new gateway of Japan," was officially opened at 9 a.m. with appropriate ceremonies. The first ship to steam into the harbour was the **Myoken Maru**, 5,000 tons, of the Toa Kaiun Kaisha, which is on the Shanghai-Tokyo run.—Domei.

Vessels Arriving To-day

The following particulars in connection with vessels due to arrive today are based upon information available yesterday evening.

From **KOBE**: Taiyo Maru, with mail, due this morning, Yangtsepoo Wharf.

From **DAIREN**: Tsingtao Maru, with mail, due 4 p.m., Whangpoo Wharf.

Due at Future Dates

All vessels are listed under their terminal port. The first date is that of the ship's departure from that port, and the second is the date she is due to arrive in Shanghai. Where a ship's name is duplicated it indicates the port of call last visited.

On account of the present international situation there is considerable interference with movements of ships, especially those from Europe. In cases where it is definitely known that the vessel is not running to schedule the Shanghai arrival date is omitted.

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P C'land — 25/5
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P Coolidge — 3/6
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Asama M 20/5 23/6

From Manila
P Taft 13/5 23/5
Nitta M 17/5 22/5

From Yokohama
Husimi M — 23/5
Yawata M 17/5 2/6

From Kobe
Tottori M — 23/5

From Nagasaki
S'hai M 22/5 23/5

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Anyo M 24/5

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P Cleveland 26/5
Kamakura M 27/5
P Monroe 29/5

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Cape Flattery 28/6
West Cuseta 3/6
Yawata M 3/6
P Coolidge 4/6
Asama M 24/6

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P Cleveland 26/5
P Monroe 29/5
Cape Flattery 28/6
West Cuseta 3/6
P Coolidge 4/6

For Kobe and Yokohama
P Taft 24/5
Nitta M 23/5
Taiyo M 25/5
P Cleveland 8/6
P Coolidge 19/6

For Nagasaki
Shanghai M 24/5
Nagasaki M 21/5
Kobe M 28/5

For Dairen
Tsingtao M 23/5
Tientsin M 25/5
Hoten M 28/5
Tsingtao M 31/5

Vessels Discharging

SALABANGKA. PENRITH CASTLE and KEDOE. Cargo ex these vessels has arrived from Hongkong per Kaying and is being discharged at Holt's Wharf, Pootung. Consignees are requested to hand in Bills of Lading in exchange for local Delivery Orders. Damaged cargo will be examined on May 23, at 9.30 a.m. Claims must be presented within 15 days of vessel's arrival. No insurance effected. Butterfield & Swire, Agents. 22-5

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Wake	Am.	Gbt.	B.N.B.
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Fooshing	Hsinkong	Chung Hua
Chingyang M.	Hankow	T.K.K.
Estelle L.	—	Hwa Tai
Atlantic	Australia	Dodwell
Anwoo	Hsinkong	Chung Hua
Folozu	Chinwangtao	Y.K.K.
Chingning M.	Tsungming	Chung Hua
Hwafoong	Hsinkong	Y.S.K.
Banshu M. 25	Japan	K.U.K.
Bonho	T'lungkong	Dah Hsing
Jimpu M.	T'sunkong	Hwa Chung
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Tawha	T'sinlunkong	Yue Foong
Eansyu M. 5	Japan	K.U.K.
Talien	Hsupu	Wan Woo
Nagasaki M.	Nagasaki	T.K.K.
Whakou	Tsungming	C.C.T.

Yesterday's Departures

Name	Flag	Despatcher
Keizan M.	Jap.	Y.K.K.
Fukwang	Am.	A.P.C.
Hoten M.	Jap.	D.K.K.
Hsinlung M.	Jap.	T.K.K.
Chekiang M.	Jap.	Chung Hua
Hweichong	Chi.	T.K.K.
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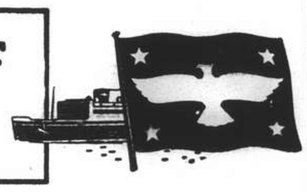

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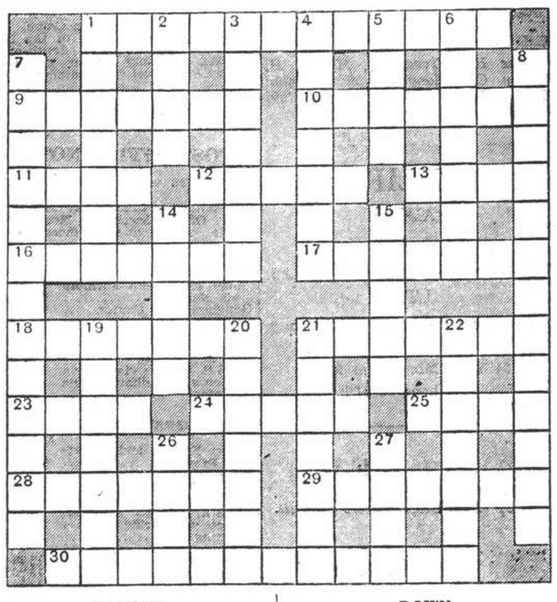

ACROSS

1 He was guilty of grave desecration (12)
9 Where there's a race, of Scots own growth (7)
10 Men of letters are not necessarily good at this subject (7)
11 Den with a certain atmosphere (4)
12 Father of brothers (5)
13 Where Stalin gets oil from (4)
16 A sin of omission (7)
17 A light shaft (7)
18 That roof spotter? (7)
21 Skin is in it, and it covers the skin (7)
23 What the ignorant can't be master of (4)
24 Alexandria is near one (5)
25 Pod makes it gout (4)
28 To do so puts things on a higher plane (7)
29 Just guesswork, but certain about a hapless mishap (7)
30 Bit of a grand old man's luggage? (two words—9, 3)

DOWN

1 What an author's contract is is work on a book (7)
2 Weapon mostly to annoy (4)
3 Drink containing some herb (7)
4 A salt so confused as to be puzzled (three words—2, 1, 4)
5 This is barred by animal lovers, oddly enough (4)
6 To arms! (7)
7 Signs of autumn (two words—7, 6)
8 If you are looking for a sucker, here's one (two words—6, 7)
14 This old king was more than a brave man (5)
15 Bird with broken backbone (5)
19 Nothing at a repast, but something to eat (7)
20 There's nothing better (two words—3, 4)
21 Skill is an article for this worker (7)
22 Horse-play (7)
26 It runs to time (4)
27 Seize a change of clothing (4)

Y'DAY'S SOLUTION.—**ACROSS**: 5, See-saw; 8, Bread-fruit; 9, Oyster; 10, Shop-soiled; 11, Gambol; 12, Incendiary; 17, Dye; 18, Slash; 20, Swim; 22, Here; 23, False; 24, Lee; 26, Plate-glass; 30, Detail; 31, Ice-breaker; 32, Golden; 33, Touchstone; 34, Smirch. **DOWN**: 1, Urchin; 2, Sample; 3, Afford; 4, Dull day; 5, Stodgy; 6, Ensemble; 7, Ale-house; 13, Cowl; 14, Name; 15, Idyll; 16, Reset; 18, Shag; 19, Area; 20, Sale-room; 21, Islander; 25, Eaten up; 26, Plinth; 27, Earthy; 28, Lean-to; 29, Seeing.

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SHANGHAI, WEDNESDAY, MAY 21, 1941 (26th day of 4th moon)

TO-DAY'S WEATHER PROBABILITIES

Tropical air over China. Fine and rather warm weather with south-easterly to south-westerly winds around Shantung. Cloudy, fine, milder and damper with south-easterly winds and threatening evening thunder over our regions and the coast to the south of the Saddles. Local fog along the coast and at sea.

	At Cathedral		At Siccawei	
Temperature yesterday	min. 64.0	max. 82.0	min. 61.5	max. 85.3
„ same date last year	min. 64.0	max. 87.5	min. 57.9	max. 88.3

AIR AND OCEAN MAILS

Pan American Airways Service per steamer on May 22, 8 p.m. registered and May 23, 8 a.m. ordinary due San Francisco on June 3. Air mails for Europe may be sent by this service to U.S.A. for connection with the P.A.A. Trans-Atlantic Air Service.

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Personal announcements in the column, $15 per insertion, including insertions in the NORTH-CHINA HERALD.

To-day's Events $4 per line, including all insertions made till date of event.

DEATHS

REMEDIOS.—On Tuesday, May 20, 1941, at the Sacred Heart Hospital, Shanghai, FRANCISCO XAVIER DOS REMEDIOS, aged 78 years. Removed to the parlours of the International Funeral Directors, 207 Kiaochow Road. Funeral arrangements will be announced later.

BROOK.—On May 20, 1941, at the General Hospital, Shanghai, Mrs. LENA BROOK. Funeral at 12.30 p.m. today, May 21, at the Baikal Road Cemetery. No flowers by request. Donations may be sent to the British War Fund. 12786

IN MEMORIAM

ALICE MARY NAZER.—In loving memory of "Wungie," who passed at Peitaiho Beach, May 21, 1939. 12779

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Dr. and Mrs. B. ROSENBERG wish to thank their friends for the many kind expressions of sympathy and contributions to charity received during their recent sad bereavement. -7320

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TO-DAY'S EVENTS

MAY

21 'The Trumpeter' XMHD, 8.30
21 *Small Fullness (Hsiao-man)*
21 *Salvador recognized Manchoukuo (1934)*
21 *Germans reached English Channel (1940)*

COMING EVENTS

MAY

22 Grand Opera 'Manon', Lyceum 8.45
22 X.M.H.C.—Mrs. John McNeill, Scarlatti Recital, 9
23 War for Freedom, part 3, XCDN, 9.30
24 'Who Killed Cock Robin' Bateman-King, Lyceum, 3
24 Empire Tag Day, Limbless Fund
24 Empire Day Mounted Gymkhana, 3.30
24 Ann. Flower Show, S'hai. Race Cb.
25 'Who Killed Cock Robin', Bateman-King, Lyceum, 2.15
25 Ann. Flower Show, S'hai. Race Cb.
25 Christian Science B'cast, XMHA, 6.30
27 Piano Recital by Mme Marine Mee XCDN, 8.30
28 'The Trumpeter' XMHD, 8.30
29 Cradle Bridge/Mahjongg S.I.B.C. 3
29 Royal Asiatic Society-Lecture on 'Chinese History'
29 Cathedral Boys' School Entertainment for War Funds, 5.30
29 X.M.H.C. Robert Stuart, songs by Gilbert and Sullivan, 9
30 Piano Recital Marina B. Mee Lyc. 9.15
30 Cathedral Boys' School Entertainment for War Funds, 5.30
31 Ministering Children's League Annual Fete, Race Club Saturday 2.30

NOTIFICATION No. 5461

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The Council invites the co-operation of the public and the retailers to avoid hoarding.

By Order,

G. GODFREY PHILLIPS,
Secretary and Commissioner General

COUNCIL CHAMBER.
Shanghai, May 20, 1941. 12780

NOTICE

I have been instructed by my clients, Baeten & Co. Investment Bankers and Brokers, to inform the public that Mr. Sze Hsing-Lai, Accountant, as from to-day, is no longer connected with the same firm.

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By order,

G. GODFREY PHILLIPS,
Secretary and Commissioner General

COUNCIL CHAMBER.
Shanghai, May 20, 1941. 12796

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Mr. Walter A. Jess has been appointed manager and given a full power of attorney.

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Shanghai, May 20, 1941. 12793

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Barometer (inches)	29.77	29.80	29.77	29.83
at 32 F. (variation for 24 hrs.)	—0.11	—0.07	—0.03	+0.01
at 32 F. („ „ 12 hrs.)	—0.03	—0.02	0.00	+0.03
Wind (direction)	SSE	SE	SE	ESE
„ (miles per hour)	8.7	6.2	6.2	5.0
Temperature (Fahr.)	78.3°	66.0°	64.2°	71.8°
Humidity (per cent)	59	90	94	84
Nebulosity (0 to 10)	3	0	8	8
Rainfall (inches)	—	—	—	—

Siccawei Abridged Report May 19	Mean 1941	24 hrs. variation	68 years average
Barometer (mean 4 obs.)	29.80	—0.13	29.83
Temperature: min. 61.3° max. 80.8°	71.1°	+3.9°	66.9°
Total rainfall January 1 to midnight before last (inches)	17.44	—	13.60

Time and Tide	21/5	22/5	23/5	24/5	25/5	26/5	27/5
Sun rises at Shanghai	4.55	4.55	4.54	4.54	4.53	4.53	4.53
Sun sets at Shanghai	18.47	18.47	18.48	18.48	18.49	18.49	18.50
Moon rises at Shanghai	2.02	2.35	3.09	3.44	4.19	5.00	5.43
Moon sets at Shanghai	14.27	15.19	16.11	17.03	17.55	18.47	19.38
Flood makes Shai. (day)	7.09	8.17	9.03	9.37	10.08	10.35	11.00
Ebb makes Shai. (day)	12.02	13.04	13.47	14.25	14.55	15.20	15.45
H. W. W'sung Bar (day)	9.15	10.10	10.36	11.14	11.48	12.15	12.40
Ht. above I.L.W. (feet)	8.83	8.90	9.00	9.20	—	10.40	10.50

THE WEATHER

(See top of page, left)

State on the morning of the 19th:—Normal and unsteady pressure over China and Japan. Northerly to easterly winds along the China Coast. Fine, locally cloudy weather in China.

State on the morning of the 20th:—Cloudy and fine weather. South-easterly breezes. Pressure rather normal and steady.—Siccawei Observatory.

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(See top of page, right)

The following times apply to the Head-Post Office Szechuen Road Bridge. Earlier posting at Sub-Offices is needed.

WEDNESDAY, May 21.	Reg.	Ord.
Japan Korea and Formosa via Nagasaki	*20.00	7.15
Hongkong and Canton	*20.00	8.30
Nantung	15.30	16.00
Kiangpei offices south and east of Jukao	18.30	19.00
Nantung	18.30	19.00
U.S.S.R. Europe via Siberia	18.30	20.00
Chefoo and Weihaiwei (via Chefoo)	19.30	20.00
THURSDAY, May 22.		
Amoy Fukien and Kiangsi Provinces	*20.00	7.15
Swatow	8.30	9.00
Shenkiamen and Tinghai	9.30	10.00
Japan (via Kobe) Honolulu U.S.A. Canada and Europe via Pacific	14.00	16.00
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Hongkong Canton Australia and New Zealand	*20.00	8.00
Nantung	15.30	16.00
Kiangpei offices south and east of Jukao	18.30	19.00
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*The night before.
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Netherlands K.L.M. Air Mail Service (Batavia-Lydda) per steamer on May 24, at 11 a.m. for registered and at noon for ordinary.

Royal Netherlands Indies Airways K.N.I.L.M. (Saigon-Batavia-Sydney) per steamer to Saigon.

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Canton, Swatow and Hoihow per Shanghai-Canton Air Line close at 10.30 p.m. on Sundays, Tuesdays and Thursdays.

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Contributions received by the "North-China Daily News" will be forwarded to the societies or charities concerned, by whom acknowledgment in these columns will be made in due course.

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